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Department of Elections

Office of the Chief Electoral Officer

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Notification

8-4-2013/ELEC/4615

The following Notification 56/2017/PPS-III dated 18-10-2017 issued by the Election Commission of India, New Delhi is hereby published for general information.

Place: Panaji-Goa.

Devidas S. Gaonkar

Dated: 25-10-2017.

Joint Chief Electoral Officer.

ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA

Nirvachan Sadan,
Ashoka Road,
New Delhi-110001.

Dated: 18th October, 2017
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Notification

No. 56/2017/PPS-III—In pursuance of sub-paragraph (2) of paragraph 17 of the Election Symbols (Reservation & Allotment) Order, 1968, the Election Commission of India hereby makes the following further amendments to its Notification No. 56/2016/PPS-III dated 13th December, 2016 as amended from time to time, namely:—

1. In Table II (State Parties), appended to the said Notification—

After the existing entries at Sl. No. 5 & Sl. No. 12, the following entries shall be inserted under Column Nos. 3, 4 & 5 respectively:—

Sl. No.	Name of the State/ Union Territory	Name of the State Party	Symbol Reserved	Address
1	2	3	4	5
5	Goa	2. Goa Forward Party	Coconut	Sheesh Mahal, 2nd Floor, Office 4, Comba, Margao, Goa-403601.
12	Manipur	3. National People's Party	Book	2nd Floor, MDU Building, M. G. Avenue, Imphal-795001 (Manipur)

2. In Table III (Registered un-recognised parties), appended to the said Notification—

(i) After the existing entries at Sl. No. 1837, the following entries shall be inserted under Column Nos. 1, 2 & 3 respectively:—

Sl. No.	Name of the Registered Unrecognised Political Party	Headquarters Address
1.	2.	3.
1838	Sanyukt Vikas Party	Village – Sarsaul, Post Office – Muni, P.S. – Araniya, Tehsil – Khurja, District – Bulandshahr, Uttar Pradesh.
1839	Jan Jan Party	Gali No. – 7, Village – Mamura, Sector – 66, Noida, Gautam Budh Nagar, Uttar Pradesh.
1840	Prajasattak Samajwaadi Bharat Party	H. No. – 1-7-281, Yadav Niwas, Rajnagar, Post – Yashwant Nagar, Pavdewadi Naka, District – Nanded, Maharashtra- 431602.
1841	Adhikar Party	234, Khirki Alibeg, Rekabganj, Faizabad, Uttar Pradesh-224001.
1842	Rashtriya Jan Adhikar Party	H.No. 710, Naya Purva, Degree College Chauraha, Kachari Road, Opp. Liberty Showroom, District- Rae Bareli, Uttar Pradesh.
1843	Praja Palana Party	H.No. 64-1D-8A/1, Treasury Colony, Kakinada, East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh-533004.
1844	South India Forward Bloc	63, Municipalayam Road, (42/4 – 68 C), Arapalayam, Kanmaikarai Main Road, Madurai, Tamil Nadu – 625016.
1845	Rashtriya Vikas Morcha	557, Pana Udyan, Narela, Delhi - 40.
1846	Vasudhaiv Kutumbakam Party	Ward No. 07, Holding No.1050 New, Mohalla- Sahebdad Ganj, District- Darbhanga, Bihar.
1847	Jan Vikas Party Secular	1/97, Vishesh Khand, Gomti Nagar, Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh - 226010.
1848	Bharatiya Jan Morcha Party	Ward No.–1, Satna Road, Amarpatan, District – Satna, Madhya Pradesh - 485775
1849	Bhartiya Hind Fauj	UGF-07, Chitransh Dream Society, R.K.Puram, Govindpuram, Ghaziabad, Uttar Pradesh- 201013
1850	Rashtriya Vanchit Party	H.No.525 (New), 204 (Old), Paltan Bazar Sadar, MakandruGanj District- Pratapgarh, Uttar Pradesh- 230001.
1851	Sarvhit Samaj Sewa Party	H. No. 177, Village & Post – Shahjahanpur Baijna, P.S. – Dadon, District – Aligarh, Uttar Pradesh-202133.
1852	Naveen Samajwadi Dal	133/4C/1C, Teliarganj, Allahabad, Uttar Pradesh.
1853	Janta Congress Chhattisgarh (J)	Shri Balaji Complex, Near Gandhi Maidan, Khamtarai, Raipur, Chhattisgarh- 492001.
1854	Republican Party of India (Reformist)	B-12/704, Vijay Park, Kasarvadavli, G.B.Road, Thane (W), Maharashtra - 400615.

1855	Sangharsh Samaj Party	H. No. 44, Village – Dhaka, P.O. – Akha, Tehsil – Aonla, District – Bareilly, Uttar Pradesh - 243001.
1856	National Democratic Front	House of Jangbahadur Yadav, Village – Maulanipur Bazar, Post – Tarwan, Tehsil – Lalganj, District – Azamgarh, Uttar Pradesh.
1857	Loktantrik Yuva Shakti Party	No.5, HIG-160, 100 Feet Road, Nehru Enclave, Agra, Uttar Pradesh -282001.
1858	Peoples Resurgence and Justice Alliance	House No. 156, Khomdram Selungbam Leikai, Thangmeiband, PO/PS: Lamphel, Imphal West, Manipur- 795004
1859	Bundelkhand Kranti Dal	House No.40, Mohalla- Khai, New Basti, Jhansi Uttar Pradesh -284001.
1860	United States of India Party	No. 10/116, Mathaganeri, South Street, Sembikulam(PO), (PO), Vadakankulam (Via), Taluk - Radhapuram, District - Tirunelveli, Tamil Nadu- 627116.
1861	Lokshahi Satta Party	'Panchvati' Boradipa, Near Ramaji Mandir, Bavla, Taluk – Bavla, District -- Ahmedabad, Gujarat - 382220.
1862	Karnataka Pragnyavantha Janatha Party	No.23, 2 nd "A" Main Road, 7 th Cross, Muneshwara Layout, Srigandhanagar, Bengaluru, Karnataka – 560091
1863	Samaanya Praja Party	D. No. 48-11-10/4, Ashok Nagar, Opp. M.V.S Jewellers, Assilametta, Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh - 530016.
1864	Jan Awaz Vikas Party	H.No. 631, Second Floor, Main Road, Mukherjee Nagar, Delhi.
1865	Swaraj India	Unit 109, 1 st Floor, M.M. House, 59 Rani Jhansi Road, New Delhi – 110055.
1866	Bharat Bhoomi Party	House No. 48, Village- Khapri (Taandpara), Post Office- Pakaria, Tehsil – Pamgarh, Thana- Mulmula, District- Janjgir-Champa, Chhattisgarh- 495553
1867	Pichhara Samaj Party United	Madhariya Complex, Mukht Nagar, Pulgaon Raod, Padmanabhpur, Durg, Chhattisgarh- 491001
1868	Kranti Janshakti Party	1058, Yadav Pura, In front of Purani Vidhan Sabha, Ward No. 34, Zone No.8, Tehsil – Hujur, Bhopal, MADHYA PRADESH
1869	Prajaa Swaraaj Party	House No. 7-2-104/11, Plot No. 11, Srikrishna Nagar, Chinthalakunta Check Post, L.B. Nagar, Hyderabad, Telangana state-500003
1870	Akhil Bhartiya Rashtriya Parivar Party	B-19/70-4, Dyodhiabeer, Bhelupur, Varanasi, UTTAR PRADESH.
1871	Nagaland Congress	II. No. 202, Fellowship Colony, Near IMC Hall, Dimapur, Nagaland - 797112.

1872	National Labour Party	D-22, Office No. 11, D-Block, Pandav Nagar, Delhi-110092.
1873	Kartavya Rashtriya Party	H. No. - 46, Lala Mohamadpur, Kankar Khera, Meerut, UTTAR PRADESH.
1874	All India Jana Andolan Party	Khadalay, Pudung Busty, Relly Road, Kalimpong Khasmahal, Post and Police Station- Kalimpong, Dist- Darjeeling, West Bengal- 734301.
1875	Real Democracy Party	37, Akshar Diamond Market, Sardar Chowk, Mini Bazar, Varachha Road, Surat, Gujarat - 395006.
1876	Andaman & Nicobar Janta Party	Garacharma Village, TTI Road, Tehsil - Port Blair, District - South Andaman, Andaman & Nicobar Islands - 744103.
1877	Rashtriya Democratic Front	H. No. 397, Village - Sonari, Post Sonari (Ramganj), P.S. - Piparpur, Tehsil - Amethi, District - Amethi, UTTAR PRADESH - 228159.
1878	Adhikar Vikas Party	Shivala Chhaya House No. 10/571, Arun Nagar, Alpo Aaya Varg Society, Ward No. 10, Tehsil - Huzur, District - Rewa, MADHYA PRADESH
1879	Rashtriya Matdata Party	Mohalla - Sayedvada, Kasba - Malihabad, District - Lucknow, UTTAR PRADESH
1880	Rashtriya Bharatiya Jan Jan Party	Near APS, Bishara, Dadri (Gautam Buddha Nagar), Uttar Pradesh - 203207
1881	Nagrik Sewa Party(R)	4, Tayal Vihar Colony, Gate No. - 2, Aishbagh Road, Haidarganj, Lucknow, UTTAR PRADESH - 226004.
1882	Sarva Hit Party	602-B, Khasra No. 298/199, 298/207, 298/209, Mohalla Bans, Sunar Wali Gali, Village - Ghitorni, New Delhi-110030 .
1883	Rashtriya Bahujan Kranti Dal	Village - Datavli Gesupur, Jai Bheem Nagar, Garh Road, Near Medical College, Tehsil - Meerut, District - Meerut, UTTAR PRADESH.
1884	Aam Janta Party (India)	Behind Ranipurwa Primary School, Janki Nagar, Post - Bus Stop, District - Gonda, Uttar Pradesh.
1885	Bharatiya Majdoor Janta Party	Village - Lalpura, Post - Kukthari (Pinahat), Tehsil - Bah, District - Agra, UTTAR PRADESH - 283123.
1886	Anna MGR Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam	H. No. - 176, Ward No. - 5, East Street, Palodai Colony, Aanaimalaiyanpatty, Uthamapalayam - Taluk, Theni - District, Tamil Nadu - 625526.
1887	Sardar Patel Siddhant Party	Village - Newada, Post - Bahuta, Tehsil - Patti, District - Pratapgarh, Uttar Pradesh - 230135.

1888	Janata Congress	278A, 1 st Floor, G.K.Complex, Main Road Okhla, Jamia Nagar, New Delhi-110025 .
1889	Bhartiya Panchayat Party	D-15/674, Street No.- 5, Ganesh Nagar – 2, Shakarpur, Delhi-110092 .
1890	Nav Chetna Party	Mohalla – Jagat Nagar, Kasba & Post – Bhongaon, District – Mainpuri, Uttar Pradesh - 205262 .
1891	Bhapase Party	Village – Massa (Khn), Tehsil – Kalam, District – Usmanabad, Maharashtra - 413507.
1892	Bahujana Rashtra Samithi	Plot No. 34/2, Lalithanagar, West Marredpally, Secunderabad, Telangana-500026.
1893	Rashtriya General Party	Ward No. 11, Aadarsh Nagar, Collectriate Road, Buxar, Bihar- 802101.
1894	Bahujan Bal Party	D.S.-50/G-II, LDA Colony, Kanpur Road, Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh.
1895	Indian Democratic Congress	Vill.-Babu Sankar Nagar, Mouja-Bhalucksundi, J.L.No: 22, Post- Aligarh, P.S.- Rajnagar, Dist- Birbhum, West Bengal- 731130.
1896	All India Manavadhikar Rajnaitik Dal	Village & Post – Rajapur, Thana – Cholapur, Tehsil & District – Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh - 221101.
1897	Anaithumakkal Neethi Katchi	D. No.11, Ground Floor, 8 th Street Extension, Ahimsapuram, Sellur, Madurai, Tamil Nadu - 625002.
1898	Ahimsa Socialist Party	D. No. 5/125, West Palapatty, Post-Sellappampatty, Taluk and District-Namakkal, Tamil Nadu-637019.
1899	Nationalist Janshakti Party	Abhinav Niwas, Rapatpur, Belghat, Gorakhpur, Uttar Pradesh - 273404.
1900	Youth Socialist Party	H. No. 248, Sihora Govind (Govind Nagar), Post & Thana – Katghar, Tehsil & District – Moradabad, Uttar Pradesh - 244001.
1901	Bhartiya Yuva Sena	House No. 1-407, Kasba Vibhag, Kille Dharur, Tq. – Dharur, District – Beed, Maharashtra - 431124.
1902	Apna Adhikar Party	Masiha Drug House, Line Bazaar, Purnia, BIHAR.
1903	Prabuddha Bharat Prajasattak Party	A/101, Panchsheel Nagar, Seva Sangh No. 3, Near Anik Depot. Sion (E), Mumbai, Maharashtra - 400022.
1904	Sampoorn Samarpan Party	Acharya Ramchandra Shukla Nagar, Bhujauli Colony, Plot No. E.W.S. – 209-210, Deoria UTTAR PRADESH - 274001
1905	Makkal Nalvaazhvu Katchi	Flat No. G3, Vetri Flats, No. 7 (Old No. 3A), Kaveri Street, Gandhi Nagar, Saligramam, Chennai, Tamil Nadu- 600093

1906	Deshbandhu Party	Village – Meharban Nagar, Near Primary School, Meharban Nagar, Bye-Pass Road Nanpara, Post – Balha, Tehsil – Nanpara, District – Bahraich, Uttar Pradesh
1907	Samanya Janatha Party (Loktantrik)	No.- 17, House No.- 29, Basavana Durga (Koramna Camp), Gangavathi, District- Koppal, Karnataka- 583227
1908	Vyavastha Parivartan Party	At Baudh Diamond, Taluka Panchayat Road, Opp. of Court, Post & Taluka- Ghogha, District- Bhavnagar, Gujarat.
1909	Rashtriya Jagrook Party	House No.- B-7/209, Satta Bazar, Kot Kapura, District- Faridkot, Punjab-151204.
1910	Marathwada Janta Paksha	Mauje Pakhar Sangvi, Gut No. 39, Near of Sant Tukaram Vidyalaya, Tq. & District - Latur, Maharashtra – 413512.
1911	Tipraland State Party	Old Kalibari Road, Krisnanagar, Agartala, West Tripura, Tripura- 799001.
1912	National Nava Kranthi Party	D.No.- 1-236, Vill.- Gangavaram, Mandal- Gurazala, Dist- Guntur, Andhra Pradesh- 522 415.
1913	Desh Hit Party	Plot No. 467, Village- Jamuni, Post- Tarkulwa, District- Deoria, UTTAR PRADESH.
1914	Sarvjan Sewa Party	163/200/1, Salari-Ka-Hata, Chikmandi, Maulviganj, Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh-18.
1915	Ahinsa Samaj Party	Priyadarshni Colony, Near of Vridha Ashram, Ward No.47, Chhindwara, Tehsil and District- Chhindwara, Madhya Pradesh- 480001.
1916	Jan Samman Party	G-238, Main Road, Gali No.- 6/28, Bal Gyan School, West Karawal Nagar, Delhi- 110094.
1917	Jan Seva Sangharsh Party	Village & Post - Pilimandori, Tehsil- Bhattu Kalan, District- Fatehabad, Haryana - 125053.
1918	Bhartiya Yuva Janshakti Party	Rozy Anima XTTI, Near Akhand Jyoti Hospital, Digha, Patna, BIHAR- 800011
1919	Tamilaga Makkal Dravida Munnetra Kazagam	3-196, Vembarpatty(PO), Vembarpatty, Taluk & District - Dindigul, Tamil Nadu – 624008.
1920	Bhartiya Jan Sampark Party	House No. 3616, Sharda Niwas Katra, Aadhartal, Jabalpur, Madhya Pradesh.
1921	Engineers Party	Bhoothana Hosur, Post- Sunagahalli, District - Mandya, Karnataka- 571403
1922	Hindustan Hamara Party	555A/1, Mumfordganj, Allahabad, UTTAR PRADESH-211002
1923	Aman Party of India	83, Sushila Vihar Phase – 1, Ward No. 2, Bhood, Bulandshahr, Uttar Pradesh.

1924	Asom Songrami Mancha (Asom)	House No.-36, By Lane No-9 (West), Zoo Road Tiniali, R.G.Baruah Road, Guwahati, Assam - 781003.
1925	Dhesiya Makkal Kazhagam	Door No. 1/239-3, Main Road, R.C. Chettipatty, Kottamettupatty Village, Dharmapuri Omalur Taluk, District - Salem, Tamil Nadu - 636455.
1926	Rashtriya Samta Party (Secular)	H.No.- 27, Village- Vcepur Singhara, Post-Singhara, Dist.- Vaishali, Bihar- 844126.
1927	Bhartiya Jansamanta Adhikar Party	Kothi No. - 2, Poornagiri Vihar, Patel Nagar, Post - Izzatnagar, Janpad - Bareilly Uttar Pradesh
1928	Jansamuday Party	57, 1 st Floor, Stadium House, Stadium Cross Road, Navrangpura, Ahmedabad, Gujarat - 380009.
1929	Bhartiya Niwas Party	Village- Sarbasi, P.O.- Barhni, Gopalpur (Unawal), District- Gorakhpur, Uttar Pradesh- 273406.
1930	Universal Brotherhood Movement	57-D, Sattur Main Road, Kovilpatti, District - Thoothukkudi, Tamil Nadu- 628501.
1931	Bhartiya Samaj Sewa Party	H.No.01, Village - Vanupur Pukhta, P.O.- Malikpur (Soro), Distt.-Kasganj, Uttar Pradesh.
1932	Kathor Shasan Party	75, B-3, Jatan, Bhagwati Bhawan, P.O. & District - Bijnor, Uttar Pradesh - 246701.
1933	Manithaneya Jananayaga Katchi	124, Kamarajar Road, Moula Complex, First Floor, Ilayangudi, District - Sivagangai, Tamil Nadu- 630702.
1934	Lohia Sanyukta Samajwadi Party	H-Block, H.No. - 359, Sector - 9, Old Vijay Nagar, Ghaziabad, Uttar Pradesh.
1935	Svatantra Bharat Satyagrah Party	Shop No. - 7 & 8, Upper Ground Floor, Bhagwati Arcade, Jawahar Road No.-5, Udhna Udhhyog Nagar, Udhna, Surat, Gujarat - 394210.
1936	Rashtriya Azad Manch	Village&Post- Shahzadpur, Teshil-Naraingarh, Dist.- Ambala, Haryana.
1937	Bharat Mata Saput Party	Village- Dehariya Daya Ram, Post-LoharaKhas, District- Bhadohi, Uttar Pradesh-221303
1938	Prajantra Party of India	H.No.33, Mohalla- Bambaghara, Town & P.S- Ramnagar, District- Nainital, Uttarakhand
1939	All India Puratchi Thalaivar Makkal Munnettra Kazhagam	D. No. 33, Kannadasan Main Road, 1 st Floor, S.S. Colony, Madurai, Tamil Nadu- 625010
1940	Jan Andolan Morcha	A-8/18, 1 st Floor, Block-A, Pocket-8, Sector-17, Rohini, Delhi - 110085.
1941	Bhartiya Himachal Jan Vikas Party	V.P.O. Badalthore, Tehsil - Dehra, Distt. - Kangra, Himachal Pradesh - 177105.

1942	Lok Nirman Dal	2, Aradhana Enclave, Surakhpur Marg, Phase-II, Delhi.
1943	Janta Kranti Party	Bharat Vihar Colony, Opposite of Big Shiv Mandir, Mandavar Road, Bijnaur, District – Bijnaur, Uttar Pradesh- 246701.
1944	Jharkhand Party (Secular)	Village – Unideeh, Post – Raja Ulatu, Thana - Namkum, District- Ranchi, Jharkhand.
1945	Gareeb Jankranti Party	Ward – 12, Holding No. – 747/642, Daudpur Kothi, In front of MIT Gate, Laxmi Chowk, Brahmapura, Muzaffarpur, Bihar - 842003
1946	Madhya Pradesh Jan Vikas Party	New Ward No. 72, H. No. 4872, Plot No.123, Phase – 2, Star City, Katangi Road, Jabalpur, MADHYA PRADESH.
1947	State Samvibhajana Party	H. No. 56, Village – Sonkhas, Tq. – Ner, District – Yavatmal, Maharashtra - 445102.
1948	Indian Lovers Party	No.-23, B-Block, 2 nd Street, Bhoopathy Nagar, Kodambakkam, Chennai, Tamil Nadu - 600024.
1949	Bharatiya Lok Sena	Ground Floor, Office No. – 2, Building No. – A.- 212-C, Tirupati Plaza, Street No. -1, Shakarpur Vikas Marg, Delhi- 110092.
1950	Jan Srijan Party	15-D, Kaushalpuri, Khargapur, Vikas Khand – Chinhat, Gomtinagar, Pargana, Tehsil & District – Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh .
1951	Janshakti Party (Rashtriya)	Plot No. 38, Ground Floor, Opp. KDK Public School, Main Road, Mandawali, Fazalpur, Delhi- 110092.
1952	Samajwadi Forward Bloc	7-5-14/B, Venkateshwara Colony, Mahboob Nagar, Telangana – 509001
1953	Rashtriya Samta Vikas Party	House No. 227/111, Vishnupuri Bhuteshwar, Post- Krishnanagar, District- Mathura, Uttar Pradesh- 281004
1954	Wazib Adhikar Party	Village & Post – Pohaddi Bela, Block – Ghanshyampur, District – Darbhanga, Bihar – 847427.
1955	Vasundhara Jan Vikas Dal	Khata No. 39, 59, Plot No. 32, 35 and 36, Mauja and Thana No. 371, New Thana No. 27, NH-2, Shiv Sagar, District – Rohtas, Bihar – 821111
1956	Samdarshi Samaj Party	Village- Manikapur Majre Saray Pandey, Post- Jauras, Pargana & Tehsil- Haidergarh, District- Barabanki, Uttar Pradesh.
1957	Hum Bhartiya Party	House No. 1-3-3227, Harshrush, Behind Mukta Lawns, Jijau Nagar, Barshi Road, Beed, MAHARASHTRA- 431122.

1958	Praja Congress Party	D - 6/6154/6, Vasant Kunj, New Delhi - 110070.
1959	Anarakshit Samaj Party	H. No. 371, 1 st Floor, Mohalla - Sadhvada, Kaimganj, Distt. - Farrukhabad, Uttar Pradesh.
1960	Makkal Neethi Katchi- India	No. 112 A3, Vaddakku Theru, (Parveen Complex), Ground Floor, Trichy Main Road, Thuraimangalam Post, Taluk & District- Perambalur, Tamilnadu- 621220.
1961	Lok Vikas Manch	Shop No. - 159, 2 nd Floor, Shopping Centre, Near R-World Cinema, Sector - 21, Gandhinagar, Gujarat .
1962	Aam Dal	Plot/Bhawan No. 191, Budha Enclave, Lohia Nagar, Meerut, Uttar Pradesh.
1963	Samaniya Makkal Nala Katchi	Door No. 298A, Krishnagiri Main Road, Uthangarai, Krishnagiri District, Tamil Nadu- 635207.
1964	Bharatiya Prajagala Kalyana Paksha	No. 23, Flat No. 401, 4 th floor, Everjoy, Nandanavana, 3 rd Cross, Dwarka Nagar, Channasandra, Bangalore, Karnataka- 560098.
1965	Marxist Leninist Party of India (Red Flag)	Door No. 828, 2 nd Floor, Aroma Building, Pudukad PO, Thrisur District, KERALA- 680301.
1966	Rashtriya Sanyukt Samaj Party	N8/236-R-53-1, (Ganeshdham Colony), Newada, Sunderpur, Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh - 221004.
1967	Pragatishil Samajwadi Party (Lohia)	CP-1, Vikrant Khand, Gomti Nagar, Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh - 226010.
1968	Jantantrik Lokhit Party	2 nd Floor, P. Mall, B-Block, Exhibition Road, Patna bearing Ward No. 6 (Old), 18 (New), Sheet No. 30, Circle No. 06., M.S.P.- 832, 839, 1282, Bihar.
1969	Rashtriya Sarvjan Vikas Party	Khasra No. 496/1, Main Wazirabad Road, Village- Pasonda, Tehsil- Loni, District - Ghaziabad, Uttar Pradesh
1970	Jammu Kashmir Save Party	Rawalpura Village, Srinagar, Jammu & Kashmir
1971	Indian Milan Party of India	Golbazar, Post- Akot, District- Akola, Maharashtra- 444101
1972	One India Party	D-46A, Krishan Vihar, Delhi- 110086
1973	Bhartiya Bahujan Kranti Dal	Sevagadh Building No. 02, Azadegaon, Dombivali East, District- Thane, Maharashtra-421201
1974	Bhartiya Manvadhikaar Federal Party	154/17, Raj Chambers (Fakhruddin Manzil), Alibhai Premji Marg, Grant Road, Mumbai, Maharashtra- 400007.
1975	Rashtriya Janta Congress	12, Siri Fort Road, New Delhi - 110049

1976	Indian New Congress Party	Office No. 107, 2 nd Floor, 1 st Cross, 'A' Block, A.K. Colony Road, Ghousia Nagar, Mysore City, Karnataka- 570 019.
1977	Yuva Party (Democratic)	Plot No. 63, Gurukrupa Society, Panch Faliya, Dabholigam, Katargam, Surat, Gujarat- 395004.
1978	Khusro Sena Party	I-4/95, Sashtri Nagar, District- Bareilly, Uttar Pradesh.
1979	Bharatiya Praja Surajya Paksha,	A/P- Khandaj, Taluka- Baramati, District- Pune, Maharashtra- 413116.
1980	Desh Janhit Party	Plot No. 78, Vinayak Co. Housing Society Bidipeth, Behind Power House, Narsala, House No.4430/78, Mouza Bidipeth, Nagpur-30, Maharashtra.
1981	Insaniyat Party	H. No. 262/1, Gannayak Bhavan, At & P.O. Sanali, Taluka Mahudha, Distt. Kheda, Gujarat - 387330.
1982	Aam Janata Party (Sarvajana Hitaya)	243-244, 2 nd Floor, Radha Chambers, Plot No. - 9, G - Block, Community Centre, Vikaspuri, New Delhi - 18.
1983	Nationalist Democratic Progressive Party	House No. 155(1), Ward No. 4, Chumukedima, Dimapur, Nagaland - 797103.

- (ii) Against Sl. No.222, in respect of 'Awami Party', the existing entries under column 3 shall be substituted by the entries 'E-11/77, New Colony, Hauzrani, Malviya Nagar, New Delhi-110017'.
- (iii) Against Sl. No.539, in respect of 'Dalitha Praja Party' the existing entry under column 2 shall be substituted by the entry 'Mahajana Rajyam Party'.
- (iv) Against Sl. No.998, in respect of 'Makkal Manadu Katchi' the existing entry under column 2 shall be substituted by the entry 'Tamizhaga Murpokku Makkal Katchi'.
- (v) Against Sl. No.1092, in respect of 'National Progressive Party', the existing entries under column 3 shall be substituted by the entries 'House No.1080, Block-P/1, Sultan Puri Colony, New Delhi - 110041'.
- (vi) Against Sl. No.1456, in respect of 'Rastriya Insaaf Party', the existing entries under column 3 shall be substituted by the entries '604, Anubhav Eledco, Udyan -2, Raibareli Road, Lucknow -226025, Uttar Pradesh'.
- (vii) Against Sl. No.1468, in respect of 'Republican Party of India', the existing entries under column 3 shall be substituted by the entries 'Satnam Mansion, 3rd Floor, Building No.245, P Dmello Road, Roll No.1393, Above Municipal Co-operative Bank, Opposite GPO, Mumbai - 400001'.

- (viii) Against Sl. No.1611, in respect of 'Suheldev Bharatiya Samaj Party', the existing entries under column 3 shall be substituted by the entries 'Village - Mirangaj, Post Office - Rampur Rasda, District - Balia, Uttar Pradesh - 221712'.
- (ix) Against Sl. No.1717, in respect of 'United Women Front' the existing entry under column 2 shall be substituted by the entry 'Kalinga National Front'.
- (x) Against Sl. No.1754, in respect of 'Vikassheel Samaj Party', the existing entries under column 3 shall be substituted by the entries '305 A, Sahara Shopping Centre, Faizabad Road, Indira Nagar, Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh - 226016'.
- (xi) Against Sl. No.1766, in respect of 'Welfare Party of India', the existing entries under column 3 shall be substituted by the entries 'E - 57/1, Abul Fazal Enclave-1, Jamia Nagar, New Delhi - 110025'.
- (xii) Against Sl. No.1804, in respect of 'Samaj Adhikar Kalyan Party', the existing entries under column 3 shall be substituted by the entries 'Office No.822-823, 8th Floor, M/s Bajwa Development Ltd. Sunny Business Centre, New Sunny Enclave, Sector 125, Mohali, Punjab'.

2. Existing *Table IV* (List of Free Symbols), appended to the said Notification, the entry "coconut" at Sl.No.43 shall be deleted.



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भाग- II खण्ड-3, उपखण्ड-(iii)
में तत्काल प्रकाशनार्थ।

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अधिसूचना

सं.56/2017 रा.दल.अनु- III निर्वाचन प्रतीक (आरक्षण तथा आबंटन) आदेश, 1968 के पैरा 17 के उप पैरा 2 के अनुसरण में, भारत निर्वाचन आयोग, समय-समय पर यथासंशोधित, अपनी अधिसूचना सं. 56/2016/रा.दल.अनु.-III, तारीख 13 दिसम्बर, 2016, में एतद्वारा निम्नलिखित और संशोधन करता है, अर्थात:-

1. उक्त अधिसूचना से संलग्न सारणी- II (राज्यीय दल) में-

स्तम्भ 3, 4 व 5 के अन्तर्गत क्रम सं. 5 व 12 पर विद्यमान प्रविष्टियों के पश्चात् निम्नलिखित प्रविष्टियाँ क्रमशः अन्तःस्थापित की जाएंगी-

क्रम संख्या	राज्य/संघ राज्य क्षेत्र का नाम	राज्यीय दल का प्रतीक	आरक्षित प्रतीक	पता
1	2	3	4	5
5	गोवा	2. गोवा फॉरवर्ड पार्टी	नारियल	शीश महल, दूसरी मंजिल, कार्यालय 4, कोंबा, मडगांव, गोवा - 403601

12	मणिपुर	3. नेशनल पीपुल्स पार्टी	किताब	द्वितीय तल, एमडीयू बिल्डिंग एम. जी. एवेन्यू, इम्फाल- 795001 (मणिपुर)
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2. उक्त अधिसूचना से संलग्न सारणी - III (रजिस्ट्रीकृत अमान्यता प्राप्त दल) में-

(i) स्तम्भ 1, 2 व 3 के अन्तर्गत क्रम सं. 1837 पर विद्यमान प्रविष्टियों के पश्चात् निम्नलिखित प्रविष्टियाँ क्रमशः अन्तःस्थापित की जाएंगी-

क्रम सं.	रजिस्ट्रीकृत अमान्यता प्राप्त राजनैतिक दल	मुख्यालय का पता
1	2	4
1838	संयुक्त विकास पार्टी	ग्राम - सारसौल, पोस्ट ऑफिस - मुनी, थाना - अरनियाँ, तहसील - खुर्जा, जिला - बुलंदशहर, उत्तर प्रदेश ।
1839	जन जन पार्टी	गली सं०- 7, ग्राम - ममूरा, सेक्टर- 66, नोएडा, गौतम बुद्ध नगर, उत्तर प्रदेश ।
1840	प्रजासत्ताक समाजवादी भारत पार्टी	मकान नं० - 1-7-281, यादव निवास, राजनगर, पोस्ट - यशवंत नगर, पावडेवाडी नाका, जिला - नांदेड, महाराष्ट्र - 431602
1841	अधिकार पार्टी	234, खिड़की अलीबेग, रेकाबगंज, फैजाबाद, उत्तर प्रदेश - 224001 ।
1842	राष्ट्रीय जन अधिकार पार्टी	मकान नं० - 710, नया पूर्वा, डिग्री कॉलेज चौराहा, कचहरी रोड, लिबर्टी शोरूम के सामने, जिला - रायबरेली, उत्तर प्रदेश ।
1843	प्रजा पालना पार्टी	मकान सं. 64-1डी-8ए/1, ट्रेजरी कॉलोनी, काकीनाडा, ईस्ट गोदावरी जिला, आन्ध्र प्रदेश- 533004
1844	साउथ इंडिया फॉरवर्ड ब्लॉक	63, मुनिसीपलायम रोड, (42/4-68सी), अरापालयम, कनमईकरई मेन रोड, मदुरई, तमिलनाडु - 625016

1845	राष्ट्रीय विकास मोर्चा	557, पाना उद्यान, नरेला, दिल्ली-40 ।
1846	वसुधैव कुटुम्बकम् पार्टी	वार्ड नं.-07, होल्डिंग नं. 1050 नया, मोहल्ला- साहेबदादगंज, जिला- दरभंगा, बिहार ।
1847	जन विकास पार्टी सेक्यूलर	1/97, विशेष खण्ड, गोमती नगर, लखनऊ, उत्तर प्रदेश - 226010
1848	भारतीय जन मोर्चा पार्टी	वार्ड नं.-1, सतना रोड, अमरपाटन, जिला- सतना, मध्य प्रदेश - 485775
1849	भारतीय हिन्द फौज	यु.जी.एफ-07, चित्रांश ड्रीम सोसाइटी, आर.के.पुरम, गोविन्दपुरम, गाजियाबाद, उत्तर प्रदेश - 201013
1850	राष्ट्रीय वंचित पार्टी	मकान नं0 - 525(नया), 204(पुराना), पल्टन बाजार सदर, मकन्दुगंज, जिला - प्रतापगढ़, उत्तर प्रदेश - 230001 ।
1851	सर्वहित समाज सेवा पार्टी	मकान नं0 - 177, ग्राम व पोस्ट - शाहजहाँपुर बैजना, थाना - दादों, जिला - अलीगढ़, उत्तर प्रदेश - 202133 ।
1852	नवीन समाजवादी दल	133/4सी/1सी, तेलियरगंज, इलाहाबाद, उत्तर प्रदेश ।
1853	जनता कांग्रेस छत्तीसगढ़ (जे)	श्री बालाजी काम्प्लेक्स, गाँधी मैदान के पास, खमतराई, रायपुर, छत्तीसगढ़ - 492001 ।
1854	रिपब्लिकन पार्टी ऑफ इंडिया (रिफॉर्मिस्ट)	बी-12/704, विजय पार्क, कासारवड़ावली, जी.बी. रोड, ठाणे (पश्चिम), महाराष्ट्र - 400615
1855	संघर्ष समाज पार्टी	मकान नं0 - 44, ग्राम - ढका, पोस्ट - अखा, तहसील - आँवला, जिला - बरेली, उत्तर प्रदेश - 243001
1856	नेशनल डेमोक्रेटिक फ्रंट	जंग बहादुर यादव का मकान, गांव - मौलानीपुर बाजार, पोस्ट - तरवाँ, तहसील - तालगंज, जिला - आजमगढ़, उत्तर प्रदेश ।

1857	लोकतांत्रिक युवा शक्ति पार्टी	नं0 - 5, एच0 आई0 जी0-160, 100 फीट रोड, नेहरू एन्कलेव, आगरा, उत्तर प्रदेश - 282001
1858	पीपुल्स रिसर्जेन्स एन्ड जस्टिस अलायन्स	मकान नं. 156, खोमद्रम सेलुन्गबम लेयकई, थांगमेईबंद, पी.ऑ/पी.एस-लाफेल, इम्फाल वेस्ट, मणिपुर- 795004
1859	बुन्देलखण्ड क्रान्ति दल	मकान नं. 40, मोहल्ला- खाई, नई बस्ती, झांसी, उत्तर प्रदेश - 284001
1860	यूनाईटेड स्टेट्स ऑफ इंडिया पार्टी	नं. 10/116, मथागनेरी, साउथ स्ट्रीट, सेम्बीकुलम(पोस्ट), वडाकनकुलम (वाया), तालुक - राधापुरम, जिला - तिरुनेलवेली, तमिलनाडु - 627116
1861	लोकशाही सत्ता पार्टी	"पंचवटी" बोराडीपा, रामजी मंदिर के पास, बावला, तहसील - बावला, जिला - अहमदाबाद, गुजरात -382220 ।
1862	कर्नाटक प्रगन्यावन्ता जनता पार्टी	नं0 -23, दूसरी "ए" मेन रोड, 7 वां क्रॉस, मुनेश्वर लेआउट, श्रीगंदनगर, बेंगलुरु, कर्नाटक - 560091
1863	सामान्य प्रजा पार्टी	डी0 नं0 48-11-10/4, अशोक नगर, एम.वी.एस. ज्वैलर्स के सामने, असीलामेट्टा, विशाखापट्टनम, आन्ध्र प्रदेश - 530016
1864	जन आवाज विकास पार्टी	मकान नं0 - 631, द्वितीय तल, मेन रोड, मुखर्जी नगर, दिल्ली ।
1865	स्वराज इंडिया	यूनिट 109, प्रथम तल, एम.एम. हाउस, 59 रानी झांसी रोड, नई दिल्ली - 110055
1866	भारत भूमि पार्टी	मकान नं. 48, ग्राम- खपरी (टांडपारा), पोस्ट- पकरिया, तहसील - पामगढ़, थाना- मुलमुला, जिला- जांजगीर-चांपा, छत्तीसगढ़ - 495553
1867	पिछड़ा समाज पार्टी यूनाईटेड	मढ़रिया काम्पलेक्स, मुक्त नगर, पुलगाँव रोड, पद्मनाभपुर, दुर्ग, छत्तीसगढ़ -491001

1868	क्रान्ति जनशक्ति पार्टी	1058, यादव पुरा, पुरानी विधान सभा के सामने, वार्ड नं0 - 34, जोन नं0 - 8, तहसील - हुजूर, भोपाल, मध्य प्रदेश ।
1869	प्रजा स्वराज पार्टी	मकान नं. 7-2-104/11, प्लॉट नं.11, श्रीकृष्ण नगर, चिंतलकुंटा चेक पोस्ट, एल.बी.नगर, हैदराबाद, तेलंगाना राज्य - 500003
1870	अखिल भारतीय राष्ट्रीय परिवार पार्टी	बी-19/70-4, इयोडियाबीर, भैलूपुर, वाराणसी, उत्तर प्रदेश ।
1871	नागालैंड कांग्रेस	मकान नं0 - 202, फैलोशिप कॉलोनी, आई एम सी हॉल के पास, दीमापुर, नागालैंड - 797112
1872	नेशनल लेबर पार्टी	डी-22, ऑफिस नं0 11, डी-ब्लॉक, पांडव नगर, दिल्ली-110092 ।
1873	कर्तव्य राष्ट्रीय पार्टी	मकान सं0 - 46, लाला मोहम्मदपुर, कंकर खेड़ा, मेरठ, उत्तर प्रदेश ।
1874	ऑल इन्डिया जन आन्दोलन पार्टी	खादाले, पुदुंग बस्ती, रैली रोड, कालिम्पोंग खासमहल, पोस्ट व थाना - कालिम्पोंग, जिला - दार्जीलिंग, पश्चिम बंगाल - 734301 ।
1875	रीयल डेमोक्रेसी पार्टी	37, अक्षर डायमंड मार्केट, सरदार चौक, मिनी बाज़ार, वराछा रोड, सूरत, गुजरात - 395006 ।
1876	अण्डमान एंड निकोबार जनता पार्टी	गाराचरमा गाँव, टीटीआई रोड, तहसील - पोर्ट ब्लेयर, जिला - दक्षिण अण्डमान, अण्डमान एंड निकोबार द्वीपसमूह - 744103 ।
1877	राष्ट्रीय डेमोक्रेटिक फ्रन्ट	मकान नं0 - 397, ग्राम- सोनारी, पोस्ट - सोनारी(रामगंज), थाना - पीपरपुर, तहसील- अमेठी, जनपद- अमेठी, उत्तर प्रदेश - 228159

1878	अधिकार विकास पार्टी	शिवाला छाया मकान नं० - 10/571, अरुण नगर, अल्प आय वर्ग समिति, वार्ड नं० - 10, तहसील - हुजूर जिला - रीवा, मध्य प्रदेश ।
1879	राष्ट्रीय मतदाता पार्टी	मोहल्ला - सैय्यदवाड़ा, कस्बा - मलिहाबाद, जिला - लखनऊ, उत्तर प्रदेश ।
1880	राष्ट्रीय भारतीय जन जन पार्टी	नियर ए.पी.एस, बिसाहड़ा, दादरी (गौतम बुध नगर) उत्तर प्रदेश - 203207 ।
1881	नागरिक सेवा पार्टी(आर)	4, तायल विहार कॉलोनी, गेट नं० - 2, ऐशबाग रोड, हैदरगंज, लखनऊ, उत्तर प्रदेश- 226004
1882	सर्व हित पार्टी	602-बी, खसरा सं० 298/199, 298/207, 298/209, मौहल्ला बाँस, सुनार वाली गली, ग्राम - घिठोरनी, नई दिल्ली - 110030
1883	राष्ट्रीय बहुजन क्रान्ति दल	ग्राम - दतावली गेसूपुर, जय भीम नगर, गढ़ रोड, निकट मैडिकल कॉलेज, तहसील - मेरठ, जिला - मेरठ, उत्तर प्रदेश ।
1884	आम जनता पार्टी (इंडिया)	रानीपुरवा प्राइमरी स्कूल के पीछे, जानकी नगर, पोस्ट- बस स्टाप, जिला- गोण्डा, उत्तर प्रदेश ।
1885	भारतीय मजदूर जनता पार्टी	ग्राम - लालपुरा, पो०- कुकथरी(पिनाहट), तहसील- बाह, जिला- आगरा, उत्तर प्रदेश- 283123
1886	अन्ना एमजीआर द्रविड़ मुन्नेत्र कड़गम	मकान नं० - 176, वार्ड नं० - 5, ईस्ट स्ट्रीट, पलोडाई कॉलोनी, अन्नाईमलाईयान्पट्टी, उत्थमापलायम - तालुक, थेनी - जिला तमिलनाडु - 625526
1887	सरदार पटेल सिद्धान्त पार्टी	ग्राम- नेवादा, पोस्ट- बहुता, तहसील- पट्टी, जिला- प्रतापगढ़, उत्तर प्रदेश- 230135 ।

1888	जनता कांग्रेस	278 ए, प्रथम तल, जी.के. कॉम्पलेक्स, मेन रोड ओखला, जामिया नगर, नई दिल्ली - 110025
1889	भारतीय पंचायत पार्टी	डी - 15/674, गली नं० - 5, गणेश नगर-2, शकरपुर, दिल्ली - 110092
1890	नव चेतना पार्टी	मोहल्ला - जगतनगर, कस्बा व पोस्ट - भोगाँव, जिला - मेनपुरी, उत्तर प्रदेश - 205262 ।
1891	भापसे पार्टी	ग्राम - मस्सा (खं), तहसील - कलम, जिला - उस्मानाबाद, महाराष्ट्र - 413507 ।
1892	बहुजन राष्ट्र समिति	प्लॉट नं० - 34/2, ललितानगर, वेस्ट मारेडपल्ली, सिकंदराबाद, तेलंगाना - 500026
1893	राष्ट्रीय जनरल पार्टी	वार्ड नं० 11, आदर्श नगर, कलेक्ट्रीएट रोड, बक्सर, बिहार - 802101 ।
1894	बहुजन बल पार्टी	डी० एस० - 50/जी-II, एलडीए कॉलोनी, कानपुर रोड, लखनऊ उत्तर प्रदेश ।
1895	इंडियन डेमोक्रेटिक कांग्रेस	गांव - बाबू शंकर नगर, मौजा - भालुकसुंदी, जे.एल.नं०: 22, पोस्ट - अलीगढ़, थाना - राजनगर, जिला - वीरभूम, पश्चिम बंगाल - 731130 ।
1896	ऑल इंडिया मानवाधिकार राजनैतिक दल	ग्राम व पोस्ट - राजापुर, थाना - चोलापुर, तहसील व जिला - वाराणसी, उत्तर प्रदेश- 221101 ।
1897	अनैतुमक्कल नीति काँची	डी० नं० 11, भूतल, 8वीं स्ट्रीट एक्सटेंशन, अहिंसापुरम, सेलुर, मदुरै, तमिलनाडु - 625002
1898	अहिंसा सोशलिस्ट पार्टी	डी० नं० - 5/125, वेस्ट पालापट्टी, पोस्ट - सेलप्पमपट्टी, तालुक व जिला - नामक्कल, तमिलनाडु - 637019

1899	नेशनलिस्ट जनशक्ति पार्टी	अभिनव निवास, रापतपुर, बेलघाट, गोरखपुर, उत्तर प्रदेश - 273404 ।
1900	यूथ सोसलिस्ट पार्टी	मकान नं० - 248, सिहोरा गोविन्द (गोविन्द नगर), पोस्ट व थाना - कटघर, तहसील व जिला - मुरादाबाद, उत्तर प्रदेश- 244001 ।
1901	भारतीय युवा सेना	मकान नं० - 1-407, कस्बा विभाग, किल्ले धारूर, तालुक - धारूर, जिला - बीड, महाराष्ट्र - 431124 ।
1902	अपना अधिकार पार्टी	मसीहा इग हाऊस, लाईन बाजार, पूर्णियाँ, बिहार ।
1903	प्रबुद्ध भारत प्रजासत्तक पार्टी	ए/101, पंचशील नगर, सेवा संघ नं० - 3, नियर अनिक डिपोट, सायन(पूर्व), मुम्बई, महाराष्ट्र - 400022 ।
1904	सम्पूर्ण समर्पण पार्टी	आचार्य रामचन्द्र शुक्ल नगर, भुजौली कॉलोनी, प्लॉट नं. ई.डब्ल्यू.एस- 209-210, देवरिया, उत्तर प्रदेश-27400
1905	मक्कल नलवाजहवुक काँची	फ्लैट नं० - जी3, वेटरी फ्लैट्स, नं०-7 (पुराना नं० 3ए), कावेरी स्ट्रीट, गाँधी नगर, शालीग्रामम, चेन्नई, तमिलनाडु - 600093
1906	देशबन्धु पार्टी	ग्राम- मेहरबान नगर, निकट प्राइमरी पाठशाला, मेहरबान नगर, बाईपास रोड नानपारा, पो० - बलहा, तहसील - नानपारा, जिला - बहराइच, उत्तर प्रदेश।
1907	सामान्य जनता पार्टी (लोकतांत्रिक)	नं० - 17, मकान नं० - 29, बसावना दुर्गा (कोरम्मा कैम्प), गंगावती, जिला - कोप्पल, कर्नाटक - 583227
1908	व्यवस्था परिवर्तन पार्टी	बौद्ध डायमण्ड, तालुक पंचायत रोड, कोर्ट के सामने, पोस्ट व तालुक- घोघा, जिला- भावनगर, गुजरात।

1909	राष्ट्रीय जागरूक पार्टी	मकान संख्या- बी- 7/209, सट्टा बाजार, कोट कपूरा, जिला- फरीदकोट, पंजाब - 151204
1910	मराठवाडा जनता पक्ष	मौजे पाखर सांगवी, गट नं0 - 39, संत तुकाराम विद्यालय के पास, तालुक व जिला - लातूर, महाराष्ट्र - 413512
1911	तिपरालैण्ड स्टेट पार्टी	ओल्ड कालीबाडी रोड, कृष्णानगर, अगरतला, पश्चिम त्रिपुरा, त्रिपुरा- 799001.
1912	नेशनल नव क्रान्ति पार्टी	डी. नं0 - 1-236, गाँव - गंगावरम, मंडल - गुरजाल, जिला - गुंटूर, आन्ध्र प्रदेश- 522415 ।
1913	देश हित पार्टी	प्लॉट नं0 - 467, ग्राम- जमुनी, पोस्ट- तरकुलवा, जिला- देवरिया, उत्तर प्रदेश ।
1914	सर्वजन सेवा पार्टी	163/200/1, सलारी का हाता, चिकमण्डी, मौलवीगंज, लखनऊ, उत्तर प्रदेश-18
1915	अहिंसा समाज पार्टी	प्रियदर्शनी कॉलोनी, वृद्धा आश्रम के पास, वार्ड नं0 - 47, छिंदवाडा, तहसील व जिला - छिंदवाडा, मध्य प्रदेश- 480001
1916	जन सम्मान पार्टी	जी- 238, मेन रोड, गली नं.- 6/28, बाल ज्ञान स्कूल, पश्चिम करावल नगर, दिल्ली - 110094
1917	जन सेवा संघर्ष पार्टी	गाँव व पोस्ट - पीली मन्दोरी, तहसील- भट्ट कलाँ, जिला- फतेहाबाद, हरियाणा - 125053 ।
1918	भारतीय युवा जनशक्ति पार्टी	रोजी अनीमा एक्स.टी.टी.आई, अखण्ड ज्योति हास्पिटल के पास, दीघा, पटना, बिहार- 800011
1919	तमिलागा मक्कल द्रविड मुन्नेत्र कजगम	3-196, पोस्ट - वेम्बरपट्टी, वेम्बरपट्टी, तालुक व जिला - डिंडिगुल, तमिलनाडु - 624008

1920	भारतीय जन सम्पर्क पार्टी	मकान संख्या- 3616, शारदा निवास कटरा, आधारताल, जबलपुर, मध्य प्रदेश।
1921	इंजीनियर्स पार्टी	बूताना हसु, पोस्ट- सुनागहल्ली, जिला - मंड्या, कर्नाटक- 571403
1922	हिन्दुस्तान हमारा पार्टी	555ए/1, मम्फोर्डगंज, इलाहाबाद, उत्तर प्रदेश- 211002
1923	अमन पार्टी ऑफ इण्डिया	83, सुशीला विहार फेस - प्रथम, वार्ड नं.- 2, भूड, बुलंदशहर, उत्तर प्रदेश ।
1924	असम संग्रामी मंच(असम)	मकान नं0 - 36, बाई लेन नं0 - 9 (पश्चिम), जू रोड तिनिआलि, आर. जी. बरुआ रोड, गुवाहटी, असम - 781003 ।
1925	देसीया मक्कल कझगम	डोर नं0 - 1/239-3, मेन रोड, आर.सी. चेटीपट्टी, कोट्टामेट्टुपट्टी विलेज, धर्मापुरी ओमलुर तालुक जिला - सलेम, तमिलनाडु - 636455
1926	राष्ट्रीय समता पार्टी (सेकुलर)	मकान नं0 - 27, ग्राम - वीरपुर सिंघाड़ा, पोस्ट - सिंघाड़ा, जिला - वैशाली, बिहार- 800011
1927	भारतीय जनसमानता अधिकार पार्टी	कोठी नं0 - 2, पूर्णागिरी विहार, पटेल नगर, पो0 - इज्जत नगर, जनपद- बरेली, उत्तर प्रदेश ।
1928	जनसमुदाय पार्टी	57, प्रथम तल, स्टेडियम हाउस, स्टेडियम क्रॉस रोड, नवरंगपुरा, अहमदाबाद, गुजरात - 380009 ।
1929	भारतीय निवास पार्टी	ग्राम - सरबसी, पोस्ट - बढनी, गोपालपुर (उनवल), जिला - गोरखपुर, उत्तर प्रदेश - 273406 ।
1930	यूनिवर्सल ब्रदरहुड मूवमेंट पार्ट	57-डी, साथुर मेन रोड, कोविलपट्टी, जिला - तुतुकुडी, तमिलनाडु - 628501

1931	भारतीय समाज सेवा पार्टी	मकान नं० - 1, ग्राम - वनुपुर पुख्ता, पोस्ट - मलिकपुर (सोरो), जिला - काशगंज, उत्तर प्रदेश ।
1932	कठोर शासन पार्टी	75, बी-3, जाटन, भगवती भवन, पी. ओ. व जिला - बिजनौर, उत्तर प्रदेश - 246701 ।
1933	मनीथनेया जनान्यागा काँची	124, कामराजार रोड, मौला कॉम्प्लेक्स, प्रथम तल, इलायंगुडी, जिला - शिवगंगई, तमिलनाडु - 630702
1934	लोहिया संयुक्त समाजवादी पार्टी	एच-ब्लाक, हाउस नं.- 359, सैक्टर - 9, ओल् विजय नगर, गाजियाबाद, उत्तर प्रदेश।
1935	स्वतंत्र भारत सत्याग्रह पार्टी	शॉप नं० - 7 व 8, अपर ग्राउन्ड फ्लोर, भगवती आर्केड, जवाहर रोड नं० - 5, उधना उद्योग नगर, उधना, सूरत, गुजरात - 394210 ।
1936	राष्ट्रीय आज़ाद मंच	गाँव व पोस्ट - शाहजादपुर, तहसील- नारायणगढ़, जिला- अम्बाला, हरियाणा ।
1937	भारत माता सपूत पार्टी	ग्राम- डेहरिया दयाराम, पोस्ट- लोहरा खास, जिला- भदोही, उत्तर प्रदेश- 221303
1938	प्रजातंत्र पार्टी ऑफ इंडिया	मकान नं. 33, मोहल्ला- बम्बाघेरा, टाउन व थाना- रामनगर, जिला- नैनीताल, उत्तराखण्ड
1939	आल इंडिया पुराची थलाईवर मक्कल मुनेत्र कझगम	डी. नं. 33, कन्नादासन मेन रोड, पहली मंजिल, एस.एस.कॉलोनी, मद्रुरै, तमिल नाडु- 625010
1940	जन आंदोलन मोर्चा	ए-8/18, प्रथम तल, ब्लॉक-ए, पॉकेट - 8, सेक्टर - 17, रोहिणी, दिल्ली - 110085
1941	भारतीय हिमाचल जन विकास पार्टी	गांव व डाकघर - बढलठोर, तहसील - देहरा, जिला - कांगड़ा, हिमाचल प्रदेश - 177105

1942	लोक निर्माण दल	2, अराधना इन्कलेव, सुरखपुर मार्ग, फेस-II, दिल्ली ।
1943	जनता क्रान्ति पार्टी	भरत विहार कॉलोनी, बड़े शिव मंदिर के सामने, मण्डावर रोड, बिजनौर, जिला - बिजनौर, उत्तर प्रदेश- 246701
1944	झारखण्ड पार्टी (सेकुलर)	ग्राम - उनीडीह, पोस्ट - राजा उलातु, थाना - नामकुम, जिला - राँची, झारखण्ड ।
1945	गरीब जनक्रान्ति पार्टी	वार्ड - 12, होल्डिंग संख्या - 747/642, दाउदपुर कोठी, एम0आई0टी0 गेट के सामने, लक्ष्मी चौक, ब्रह्मपुरा, मुजफ्फरपुर, बिहार- 842003
1946	मध्य प्रदेश जन विकास पार्टी	नया वार्ड क्र.- 72, मकान नं0 -4872, प्लॉट नं.- 123, फेस- 2, स्टार सिटी, कटंगी रोड, जबलपुर, मध्य प्रदेश ।
1947	स्टेट समविभाजन पार्टी	मकान संख्या - 56, गाँव - सोनखास, ता. - नेर, जिला - यवतमाल, महाराष्ट्र - 445102 ।
1948	इंडियन लवर्स पार्टी	नं0 - 23, बी - ब्लॉक, द्वितीय स्ट्रीट, भूपति नगर, कोडमबक्कम, चेन्नई, तमिलनाडु - 600024
1949	भारतीय लोक सेना	लोअर ग्राउन्ड फ्लोर, ऑफिस नं0-2, बिल्डिंग नं0- ए.-212-सी, तिरुपति प्लाजा, गली नं0- 1, शकरपुर विकास मार्ग, दिल्ली - 110092
1950	जन सृजन पार्टी	15-डी, कौशलपुरी, खरगापुर, विकास खण्ड - चिनहट, गोमतीनगर, परगना, तहसील व जिला - लखनऊ, उत्तर प्रदेश ।

1951	जनशक्ति पार्टी (राष्ट्रीय)	प्लॉट नं0 - 38, भू-तल (ग्राउंड फ्लोर), के डी के पब्लिक स्कूल के सामने, मेन रोड, मंडावली, फज़लपुर, दिल्ली - 110092
1952	समाजवादी फॉरवर्ड ब्लॉक	7-5-14/बी, वैकटेश्वर कॉलोनी, महबूब नगर, तेलंगाना - 509001
1953	राष्ट्रीय समता विकास पार्टी	मकान सं. 227/111, विष्णुपुरी भूतेश्वर पोस्ट- कृष्णानगर, जिला- मथुरा, उत्तर प्रदेश- 281004
1954	वाजिब अधिकार पार्टी	ग्राम व पोस्ट - पोहद्दी बेला, ब्लॉक - घनश्यामपुर, जिला- दरभंगा, बिहार - 847427 ।
1955	वसुंधरा जन विकास दल	खाता नं0 - 39, 59, प्लॉट नं0 - 32, 35 तथा 36, मौजा तथा थाना नं0 - 371, न्यू थाना नं0 - 27, एन.एच - 2, शिव सागर, जिला - रोहतास, बिहार - 821111 ।
1956	समदर्शी समाज पार्टी	ग्राम- मानिकापुर मजरे सराय पाण्डेय, पोस्ट- जौरास, परगना व तहसील- हैदरगढ़, जिला- बाराबंकी, उत्तर प्रदेश ।
1957	हम भारतीय पार्टी	मकान नं. 1-3-3227, हर्षरुस, मुक्ता लॉन के पीछे, जीजऊ नगर, बारशी रोड, बीड, महाराष्ट्र- 431122
1958	प्रजा कांग्रेस पार्टी	डी-6/6154/6, वसंत कुंज, नई दिल्ली - 110070
1959	अनारक्षित समाज पार्टी	मकान नं0 - 371, प्रथम तल, मोहल्ला - सधवाड़ा, कायमगंज, जिला - फरुखाबाद, उत्तर प्रदेश ।
1960	मक्कल नीति कॉची-इंडिया	नं0 112ए3, वड्डाक्कु थिरु (प्रवीन कॉम्प्लेक्स), ग्राउंड फ्लोर, त्रिची मेन रोड, थुराईमंगलम पोस्ट, तालुक व जिला - पेराम्बलुर, तमिलनाडु -621220

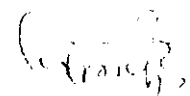
1961	लोक विकास मंच	शॉप नं० - 159, दूसरी मंजिल, शॉपिंग सेंटर, आर-वर्ल्ड सिनेमा के पास, सेक्टर - 21, गाँधीनगर, गुजरात ।
1962	आम दल	प्लॉट/भवन नं० - 191, बुद्धा एन्कलेव, लोहिया नगर, मेरठ, उत्तर प्रदेश ।
1963	समान्या मक्कल नाला काची	डोर नं० 298ए, कृष्णागिरी, मेन रोड, उत्थानगरई, कृष्णागिरी जिला, तमिलनाडु -635207.
1964	भारतीय प्रजागला कल्याणा पक्षा	नं० - 23, फ्लैट नं० - 401, चौथी मंजिल, एवरजॉय, नंदनावना, तृतीय क्रॉस, द्वारका नगर, चन्नासंदारा, बेंगलोर, कर्नाटक- 560098.
1965	माक्सिस्ट लेनिनिस्ट पार्टी ऑफ इंडिया (रेड फ्लैग)	इर नं.- 828, द्वितीय तल, एरोमा बिल्डिंग, पुडुक्कड पोस्ट ऑफिस, थिरु - जिला, केरल- 680301.
1966	राष्ट्रीय संयुक्त समाज पार्टी	एन 8/236-आर-53-1, गणेश धाम कॉलोनी, नेवादा, सुन्दरपुर वाराणसी, उत्तर प्रदेश - 221004.
1967	प्रगतिशील समाजवादी पार्टी (लोहिया),	सीपी.- 1, विक्रान्त खण्ड, गोमती नगर, लखनऊ, उत्तर प्रदेश - 226010.
1968	जनतांत्रिक लोकहित पार्टी	दूसरा तल, पी. मॉल, बी ब्लॉक, एकजीबिशन रोड, पटना बियरिंग, वार्ड नं.-6 (पुराना), 18 (नया), शीट नं० - 30, सर्किल नं० - 06, एस. एस. पी. - 832, 839, 1282, बिहार
1969	राष्ट्रीय सर्वजन विकास पार्टी	खसरा नं. 496/1, मेन वजीराबाद रोड, ग्राम- पसौंदा, तहसील- लोनी, गाजियाबाद, उत्तर प्रदेश
1970	जम्मू कश्मीर सेव पार्टी	गाँव- रावलपोरा, श्रीनगर, जम्मू एण्ड कश्मीर
1971	इंडियन मिलन पार्टी ऑफ इंडिया	गोल बाजार, पोस्ट- अकोट, जिला- अकोला, महाराष्ट्र- 444101

1972	वन इंडिया पार्टी	डी-46 ए, कृष्ण विहार, दिल्ली- 110086
1973	भारतीय बहुजन क्रांति दल	सेवागढ़ बिल्डिंग नं.- 02, अजादेगांव, डोंबिवली पूर्व, जिला- ठाणे, महाराष्ट्र- 421201
1974	भारतीय मानवाधिकार फेडरल पार्टी	154/17, राज चेंबर, (फखरुद्दीन मंजिल), अलीभाई प्रेमजी मार्ग, ग्रांट रोड, मुंबई, महाराष्ट्र- 400007.
1975	राष्ट्रीय जनता काँग्रेस	12, सिरी फोर्ट रोड, नई दिल्ली - 110049.
1976	इंडियन न्यू काँग्रेस पार्टी	ऑफिस नं0 - 107, द्वितीय तल, 1 st क्रॉस, 'ए' ब्लॉक, ए. के. कॉलोनी रोड, घौंसिया नगर, मैसूर सिटी, कर्नाटक - 570 019
1977	युवा पार्टी (डेमोक्रेटिक)	प्लॉट नं0 - 63, गुरुकृपा सोसाईटी, पंच फलिया, दाभोलिगम, कटरगम, सूरत, गुजरात- 395004
1978	खुसरो सेना पार्टी	आई-4/95, शास्त्री नगर, जिला- बरेली, उत्तर प्रदेश ।
1979	भारतीय प्रजा सुराज्य पक्ष	ए./पी. - खांडज, तालुका - बारामती, जिला- पुणे, महाराष्ट्र- 413116
1980	देश जनहित पार्टी	प्लॉट नं. 78, विनायक को0 हाऊसिंग सोसाईटी बिदीपेट, पावर हाउस के पीछे, नरसाला, मकान नं0 - 4430/78, मौजा बिदीपेट, नागपुर - 30 महाराष्ट्र ।
1981	इंसानियत पार्टी	मकान नं0 - 262/1, गणनायक भवन, एट व पो. - सनाली, तालुका - महुधा, जिला- खेड़ा, गुजरात - 387330।
1982	आम जनता पार्टी (सर्वजन हिताय)	243-244, द्वितीय तल, राधा चैम्बर्स, प्लॉट नं0 - 9, जी - ब्लॉक, कम्यूनिटी सेंटर, विकासपुरी, दिल्ली - 18
1983	नेशनलिस्ट डेमोक्रेटिक प्रोग्रेसिव पार्टी	मकान नं. 155(1), वार्ड नं. 4, चुमुकेदीमा, दीमापुर, नागालैंड - 797103

- (ii) क्रम सं. 222 के सामने 'अवामी पार्टी' के संबंध में स्तम्भ 3 पर विद्यमान प्रविष्टियों को, प्रविष्टियों 'ई-11/77, न्यू कॉलोनी, हौजरानी, मालवीय नगर, नई दिल्ली -110017' से प्रतिस्थापित किया जाएगा।
- (iii) क्रम सं.539 के सामने 'दलित प्रजा पार्टी' से संबंधित स्तम्भ 2 पर विद्यमान प्रविष्टियों को, प्रविष्टियों 'महाजना राज्यम पार्टी' से प्रतिस्थापित किया जाएगा।

- (iv) क्रम सं.998 के सामने 'मक्कल मनाडु काची' से संबंधित स्तम्भ 2 पर विद्यमान प्रविष्टियों को, प्रविष्टियों 'तामिज़ागा मूरपोक्कू मक्कल काच्चि' से प्रतिस्थापित किया जाएगा।
- (v) क्रम सं.1092 के सामने 'नेशनल प्रोग्रेसिव पार्टी' के संबंध में स्तम्भ 3 पर विद्यमान प्रविष्टियों को, प्रविष्टियों 'हाउस नं.1080, ब्लॉक-पी/1, सुलतान पुरी कलोनी, नई दिल्ली-110041' से प्रतिस्थापित किया जाएगा।
- (vi) क्रम सं.1456 के सामने 'राष्ट्रीय इन्साफ पार्टी' के संबंध में स्तम्भ 3 पर विद्यमान प्रविष्टियों को, प्रविष्टियों '604, अनुभव ईलेडको, उद्यान-2, रायबरेली रोड, लखनऊ - 226025, उत्तर प्रदेश' से प्रतिस्थापित किया जाएगा।
- (vii) क्रम सं.1468 के सामने 'रिपब्लिकन पार्टी ऑफ इंडिया' के संबंध में स्तम्भ 3 पर विद्यमान प्रविष्टियों को, प्रविष्टियों 'सतनाम मैन्सन, तीसरा मंजिल, बिल्डींग नं.245, पी डिमैलो रोड, रोल नं.1393, म्यूनिसीपल को-आपरेटिव बैंक के ऊपर, जीपीओ के अपोजिट, मुंबई -400001' से प्रतिस्थापित किया जाएगा।
- (viii) क्रम सं.1611 के सामने 'सुहेलदेव भारतीय समाज पार्टी' के संबंध में स्तम्भ 3 पर विद्यमान प्रविष्टियों को, प्रविष्टियों 'ग्राम: मीरन गंज, पो - रामपुर रसडा, जिला- बलिया, उत्तर प्रदेश - 221712' से प्रतिस्थापित किया जाएगा।
- (ix) क्रम सं.1717 के सामने 'युनाइटेड वूमन फ्रंट' से संबंधित स्तम्भ 2 पर विद्यमान प्रविष्टियों को, प्रविष्टियों 'कलींग नेसनाल फ्रंट' से प्रतिस्थापित किया जाएगा।
- (x) क्रम सं.1754 के सामने 'विकासशील समाज पार्टी' के संबंध में स्तम्भ 3 पर विद्यमान प्रविष्टियों को, प्रविष्टियों '305 ऐ, साहारा शॉपिंग सेन्टर, फैजाबाद रोड, इन्दिरा नगर, लखनऊ, उत्तर प्रदेश - 226016' से प्रतिस्थापित किया जाएगा।
- (xi) क्रम सं.1766 के सामने 'वैल्फेयर पार्टी ऑफ इण्डिया' के संबंध में स्तम्भ 3 पर विद्यमान प्रविष्टियों को, प्रविष्टियों 'ई - 57/1, अबूल फजल एनक्लेव-1, जामिया नगर, नई दिल्ली - 110025' से प्रतिस्थापित किया जाएगा।
- (xii) क्रम सं.1804 के सामने 'समाज अधिकार कल्याण पार्टी' के संबंध में स्तम्भ 3 पर विद्यमान प्रविष्टियों को, प्रविष्टियों 'ऑफिस नं.822-823, आठ नं ताल, मैसर्स बाजवा डेवलपमेंट लिमिटेड, सन्नी बिजनेस सेन्टर, न्यू सन्नी एनक्लेव, सेक्टर - 125, मोहाली, पंजाब' से प्रतिस्थापित किया जाएगा।

2 उक्त अधिसूचना से संलग्न विद्यमान सारणी- IV (मुक्त प्रतीकों की सूची) के क्रम सं. 43 पर विद्यमान प्रतीक 'नारियल' को विलोपित किया जाएगा।



(के एफ विलफ्रेड)

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Notification

10/8/2017-LA/183(a)

The Payment of Wages (Amendment) Act, 2017 (Central Act No. 1 of 2017), which has been passed by Parliament and assented to by the President on 15-02-2017 and published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, section 1, dated 16-02-2017, is hereby published for the general information of the public.

Julio Barbosa Noronha, Joint Secretary (Law).

Porvorim, 16th October, 2017.

THE PAYMENT OF WAGES
(AMENDMENT) ACT, 2017

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further to amend the Payment of Wages Act, 1936.

Be it enacted by Parliament in the Sixty-eighth Year of the Republic of India as follows:—

1. *Short title and commencement.*— (1) This Act may be called the Payment of Wages (Amendment) Act, 2017.

(2) It shall be deemed to have come into force on the 28th day of December, 2016.

2. *Substitution of section 6 of Act 4 of 1936.*— For section 6 of the Payment of Wages Act, 1936, the following section shall be substituted, namely:—

“6. *Wages to be paid in current coin or currency notes or by cheque or crediting in bank account.*— All wages shall be paid in current coin or currency notes or by cheque or by crediting the wages in the bank account of the employee:

Provided that the appropriate Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, specify the industrial or other establishment, the employer of which shall pay to every person employed in such industrial or other establishment, the wages only by cheque or by crediting the wages in his bank account.”.

3. *Repeal and savings.*— (1) The Payment of Wages (Amendment) Ord. 9 of Ordinance, 2016 is hereby repealed. 2016.

(2) Notwithstanding such repeal, anything done or any action taken under the Payment of Wages Act, 1936, as amended by the said Ordinance, shall be deemed to have been done or taken under the corresponding provisions of the said Act, as amended by this Act. 4 of 1936.

Notification

10/8/2017-LA/183(b)

The Specified Bank Notes (Cessation of Liabilities) Act, 2017 (Central Act No. 2 of 2017), which has been passed by Parliament and assented to by the President on 27-02-2017 and published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, Section 1, dated 28-02-2017, is hereby published for the general information of the public.

Julio Barbosa Noronha, Joint Secretary (Law).

Porvorim, 16th October, 2017.

THE SPECIFIED BANK NOTES
(CESSATION OF LIABILITIES)
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to provide in the public interest for the cessation of liabilities on the specified bank notes and for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto.

Be it enacted by Parliament in the Sixty-eighth Year of the Republic of India as follows:—

1. *Short title and commencement.*— (1) This Act may be called the Specified Bank Notes (Cessation of Liabilities) Act, 2017.

(2) It shall be deemed to have come into force on the 31st day of December, 2016.

2. *Definitions.*— (1) In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires,—

(a) “appointed day” means the 31st day of December, 2016;

(b) “grace period” means the period to be specified by the Central Government, by notification, during which the specified bank notes can be deposited in accordance with this Act;

(c) “notification” means a notification published in the Official Gazette;

(d) “Reserve Bank” means the Reserve Bank of India constituted by the Central Government under section 3 of the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934;

2 of 1934.

(e) “specified bank note” means a bank note of the denominational value of five hundred rupees or one thousand rupees of the series existing on or before the 8th day of November, 2016.

(2) The words and expressions used and not defined in this Act but defined in the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934 or the Banking Regulation Act, 1949 shall have the meanings respectively assigned to them in those Acts.

10 of 1949.

3. *Specified bank notes to cease to be liability of Reserve Bank or Central Government.*— On and from the appointed day, notwithstanding

anything contained in the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934 or any other law for the time being in force, the specified bank notes which have ceased to be legal tender, in view of the notification of the Government of India in the Ministry of Finance, number S. O. 3407(E), dated the 8th November, 2016, issued under sub-section (2) of section 26 of the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934, shall cease to be liabilities of the Reserve Bank under section 34 and shall cease to have the guarantee of the Central Government under sub-section (1) of section 26 of the said Act.

2 of 1934.

4. *Exchange of specified bank notes.*— (1) Notwithstanding anything contained in section 3, the following persons holding specified bank notes on or before the 8th day of November, 2016 shall be entitled to tender within the grace period with such declarations or statements, at such offices of the Reserve Bank or in such other manner as may be specified by it, namely:—

(i) a citizen of India who makes a declaration that he was outside India between the 9th November, 2016 to 30th December, 2016, subject to such conditions as may be specified, by notification, by the Central Government; or

(ii) such class of persons and for such reasons as may be specified by notification, by the Central Government.

(2) The Reserve Bank may, if satisfied, after making such verifications as it may consider necessary that the reasons for failure to deposit the notes within the period specified in the notification referred to in section 3, are genuine, credit the value of the notes in his Know Your Customer compliant bank account in such manner as may be specified by it.

(3) Any person, aggrieved by the refusal of the Reserve Bank to credit the value of the notes under sub-section (2), may make a

representation to the Central Board of the Reserve Bank within fourteen days of the communication of such refusal to him.

Explanation.—For the purposes of this section, the expression “Know Your Customer compliant bank account” means the account which complies with the conditions specified in the regulations made by the Reserve Bank under the Banking Regulation Act, 1949.

10 of 1949.

5. *Prohibition on holding transferring or receiving specified bank notes.*— On and from the appointed day, no person shall, knowingly or voluntarily, hold, transfer or receive any specified bank note:

Provided that nothing contained in this section shall prohibit the holding of specified bank notes—

(a) by any person—

(i) up to the expiry of the grace period; or

(ii) after the expiry of the grace period,—

(A) not more than ten notes in total, irrespective of the denomination;

or

(B) not more than twenty-five notes for the purposes of study, research or numismatics;

(b) by the Reserve Bank or its agencies, or any other person authorised by the Reserve Bank;

(c) by any person on the direction of a court in relation to any case pending in the court.

6. *Penalty for contravention of section 4.*— Whoever knowingly and wilfully makes any declaration or statement specified under sub-section (1) of section 4, which is false in material particulars, or omits to make a material statement, or makes a statement which he does not believe to be true, shall be

punishable with fine which may extend to fifty thousand rupees or five times the amount of the face value of the specified bank notes tendered, whichever is higher.

7. *Penalty for contravention of section 5.*— Whoever contravenes the provisions of section 5 shall be punishable with fine which may extend to ten thousand rupees or five times the amount of the face value of the specified bank notes involved in the contravention, whichever is higher.

8. *Offences by companies.*— (1) Where a person committing a contravention or default referred to in section 6 or section 7 is a company, every person who, at the time the contravention or default was committed, was in charge of, and was responsible to, the company for the conduct of the business of the company, as well as the company, shall be deemed to be guilty of the contravention or default and shall be liable to be proceeded against and punished accordingly:

Provided that nothing contained in this sub-section shall render any such person liable to punishment if he proves that the contravention or default was committed without his knowledge or that he had exercised all due diligence to prevent the contravention or default.

(2) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-section (1), where an offence under this Act has been committed by a company and it is proved that the same was committed with the consent or connivance of, or is attributable to any neglect on the part of, any director, manager, secretary, or other officer or employee of the company, such director, manager, secretary, other officer or employee shall also be deemed to be guilty of the offence and shall be liable to be proceeded against and punished accordingly.

Explanation.— For the purpose of this section,—

(a) “a company” means any body corporate and includes a firm, a trust, a co-operative society and other association of individuals;

(b) “director”, in relation to a firm or trust, means a partner in the firm or a beneficiary in the trust.

9. *Special provisions relating to offences.*— Notwithstanding anything contained in section 29 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973, 2 of 1974. the court of a Magistrate of the First Class or the court of a Metropolitan Magistrate may impose a fine, for contravention of the provisions of this Act.

10. *Protection of action taken in good faith.*— No suit, prosecution or other legal proceeding shall lie against the Government, the Reserve Bank or any of their officers for anything done or intended to be done in good faith under this Act.

11. *Power to make rules.*— (1) The Central Government may, by notification, make rules for carrying out the provisions of this Act.

(2) Every rule made under this Act shall be laid, as soon as may be after it is made, before each House of Parliament while it is in session for a total period of thirty days which may be comprised in one session or in two or more successive sessions, and if, before the expiry of the session immediately following the session or the successive sessions aforesaid, both Houses agree in making any modification in the rule or both Houses agree that the rule should not be made, the rule shall thereafter have effect only in such modified form or be of no effect, as the case may be; so, however, that any such modification or annulment shall be without prejudice to the validity of anything previously done under that rule.

12. *Power to remove difficulties.*— (1) If any difficulty arises in giving effect to the provisions of this Act, the Central Government may, by order published in the Official Gazette, make such provisions not inconsistent with the provisions of this Act, as may appear to it to be necessary or expedient for removing the difficulty:

Provided that no such order shall be made under this section after the expiry of a period of two years from the date of commencement of this Act.

(2) Every order made under this section shall, as soon as may be after it is made, be laid before each House of Parliament.

13. *Repeal and savings.*— (1) The Specified Bank Notes (Cessation of Liabilities) Ordinance, 2016 is hereby Ord. 10 of 2016. repealed.

(2) Notwithstanding such repeal, anything done or any action taken under the said Ordinance shall be deemed to have been done or taken under the corresponding provisions of this Act.

Notification

10/8/2017-LA/183(f)

The Maternity Benefit (Amendment) Act, 2017 (Central Act No. 6 of 2017), which has been passed by Parliament and assented to by the President on 27-03-2017 and published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, Section 1, dated 28-03-2017, is hereby published for the general information of the public.

Julio Barbosa Noronha, Joint Secretary (Law).

Porvorim, 16th October, 2017.

THE MATERNITY BENEFIT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2017

AN

ACT

further to amend the Maternity Benefit Act, 1961.

Be it enacted by Parliament in the Sixty-eighth Year of the Republic of India as follows:—

1. *Short title and commencement.*— (1) This Act may be called the Maternity Benefit (Amendment) Act, 2017.

(2) It shall come into force on such date as the Central Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, appoint:

Provided that different dates may be appointed for different provisions of this Act and any reference in any such provision to the commencement of this Act shall be construed as a reference to the coming into force of that provision.

2. *Amendment of section 3.*— In the Maternity Benefit Act, 1961^{53 of 1961.} (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act), in section 3, after clause (b), the following clause shall be inserted, namely:—

‘(ba) “commissioning mother” means a biological mother who uses her egg to create an embryo implanted in any other woman;’.

3. *Amendment of section 5.*— In the principal Act, in section 5,—

(A) in sub-section (3)—

(i) for the words “twelve weeks of which not more than six weeks”, the words “twenty-six weeks of which not more than eight weeks” shall be substituted;

(ii) after sub-section (3) and before the first proviso, the following proviso shall be inserted, namely:—

“Provided that the maximum period entitled to maternity benefit by a woman having two or more than two surviving children shall be twelve weeks of which not more than six weeks shall precede the date of her expected delivery;”;

(iii) in the first proviso, for the words “Provided that”, the words “Provided further that” shall be substituted;

(iv) in the second proviso, for the words “Provided further that”, the words “Provided also that” shall be substituted;

(B) after sub-section (3), the following sub-sections shall be inserted, namely:—

“(4) A woman who legally adopts a child below the age of three months or a commissioning mother shall be entitled to maternity benefit for a period of twelve weeks from the date the child is handed over to the adopting mother or the commissioning mother, as the case may be.

(5) In case where the nature of work assigned to a woman is of such nature that she may work from home, the employer may allow her to do so after availing of the maternity benefit for such period and on such conditions as the employer and the woman may mutually agree.”.

4. *Insertion of new section 11A.*— In the principal Act, after section 11, the following section shall be inserted, namely:—

“11A. *Creche facility.*— (1) Every establishment having fifty or more employees shall have the facility of creche within such distance as may be prescribed, either separately or along with common facilities:

Provided that the employer shall allow four visits a day to the creche by the woman, which shall also include the interval for rest allowed to her.

(2) Every establishment shall intimate in writing and electronically to every woman at the time of her initial appointment regarding every benefit available under the Act.”.

Notification

10/8/2017-LA/183(k)

The Employee's Compensation (Amendment) Act, 2017 (Central Act No. 11 of 2017), which has been passed by Parliament and

assented to by the President on 12-04-2017 and published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, Section 1, dated 12-04-2017, is hereby published for the general information of the public.

Julio Barbosa Noronha, Joint Secretary (Law).

Porvorim, 16th October, 2017.

THE EMPLOYEE'S COMPENSATION (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2017

AN

ACT

further to amend the Employee's Compensation Act, 1923.

Be it enacted by Parliament in the Sixty-eighth Year of the Republic of India as follows:—

1. *Short title and commencement.*— (1) This Act may be called the Employee's Compensation (Amendment) Act, 2017.

(2) It shall come into force on such date as the Central Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, appoint.

2. *Insertion of new section 17A.*— In the Employee's Compensation Act, 1923 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act), after section 17, the following section shall be inserted, namely:—

"17A. *Duty of employer to inform employee of his rights.*— Every employer shall immediately at the time of employment of an employee, inform the employee of his rights to compensation under this Act, in writing as well as through electronic means, in English or Hindi or in the official language of the area of employment, as may be understood by the employee."

3. *Amendment of section 18A.*— In the principal Act, in section 18A, in sub-section (1),—

(i) in clause (d), for the word and figures "section 16," the words and figures "section 16, or" shall be substituted;

(ii) after clause (d), the following clause shall be inserted, namely:—

"(e) fails to inform the employee of his rights to compensation as required under section 17A,";

(iii) in the long line, for the words "which may extend to five thousand rupees", the words "which shall not be less than fifty thousand rupees but which may extend to one lakh rupees" shall be substituted.

4. *Amendment of section 30.*— In the principal Act, in section 30, in sub-section (1), in the first proviso, for the words "three hundred rupees", the words "ten thousand rupees or such higher amount as the Central Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, specify" shall be substituted.

5. *Omission of section 30A.*— Section 30A of the principal Act shall be omitted.

Notification

10/8/2017-LA/183(q)

The Constitution (Scheduled Castes) Orders (Amendment) Act, 2017 (Central Act No. 17 of 2017), which has been passed by Parliament and assented to by the President on 28-04-2017 and published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, Section 1, dated 01-05-2017, is hereby published for the general information of the public.

Julio Barbosa Noronha, Joint Secretary (Law).

Porvorim, 16th October, 2017.

THE CONSTITUTION (SCHEDULED CASTES) ORDERS (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2017

AN

ACT

further to amend the Constitution (Scheduled Castes) Order, 1950 to modify the list of

Scheduled Castes in the State of Odisha and to amend the Constitution (Pondicherry) Scheduled Castes Order, 1964.

Be it enacted by Parliament in the Sixty-eighth Year of the Republic of India as follows:—

1. *Short title.*— This Act may be called the Constitution (Scheduled Castes) Orders (Amendment) Act, 2017.

2. *Amendment of Constitution (Scheduled Castes) Order, 1950.*— In CO. 19 the Schedule to the Constitution (Scheduled Castes) Order, 1950, in PART XIII.— *Odisha*, for entry 79, the following entry shall be substituted, namely:—

“79. Sabakhia, Sualgiri, Swalgiri.”.

3. *Amendment of Constitution (Pondicherry) Scheduled Castes Order, 1964.*— In the Constitution (Pondicherry) Scheduled Castes Order, 1964, CO. 68 for the word “Pondicherry” at both the places where it occurs, the word “Puducherry” shall be substituted.

Notification

10/4/2016-LA-171

The Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 (Central Act No. 49 of 2016), which has been passed by Parliament and assented to by the President of 27-12-2016 and published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, Section 1, dated 28-12-2016, is hereby published for the general information of the public.

Julio Barbosa Noronha, Joint Secretary (Law).

Porvorim, 4th October, 2017.

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THE RIGHTS OF PERSONS WITH
DISABILITIES ACT, 2016

AN

ACT

to give effect to the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto.

Whereas the United Nations General Assembly adopted its Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities on the 13th day of December, 2006;

And Whereas the aforesaid Convention lays down the following principles for empowerment of persons with disabilities,—

(a) respect for inherent dignity, individual autonomy including the freedom to make one's own choices, and independence of persons;

(b) non-discrimination;

(c) full and effective participation and inclusion in society;

(d) respect for difference and acceptance of persons with disabilities as part of human diversity and humanity;

(e) equality of opportunity;

(f) accessibility;

(g) equality between men and women;

(h) respect for the evolving capacities of children with disabilities and respect for the right of children with disabilities to preserve their identities;

And Whereas India is a signatory to the said Convention;

And Whereas India ratified the said Convention on the 1st day of October, 2007;

And Whereas it is considered necessary to implement the Convention aforesaid.

Be it enacted by Parliament in the Sixty-seventh Year of the Republic of India as follows:—

CHAPTER I

Preliminary

1. *Short title and commencement.*— (1) This Act may be called the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016.

(2) It shall come into force on such date as the Central Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, appoint.

2. *Definitions.*— In this Act unless the context otherwise requires,—

(a) “appellate authority” means an authority notified under sub-section (3) of section 14 or sub-section (1) of section 53 or designated under sub-section (1) of section 59, as the case may be;

(b) “appropriate Government” means,

(i) in relation to the Central Government or any establishment wholly or substantially financed by that Government, or a Cantonment Board constituted under the Cantonments Act, 2006, the Central Government; 41 of 2006.

(ii) in relation to a State Government or any establishment, wholly or substantially financed by that Government, or any local authority, other than a Cantonment Board, the State Government.

(c) “barrier” means any factor including communicational, cultural, economic, environmental, institutional, political, social, attitudinal or structural factors which hampers the full and effective participation of persons with disabilities in society;

(d) “care-giver” means any person including parents and other family Members who with or without payment

provides care, support or assistance to a person with disability;

(e) “certifying authority” means an authority designated under sub-section (1) of section 57;

(f) “communication” includes means and formats of communication, languages, display of text, Braille, tactile communication, signs, large print, accessible multimedia, written, audio, video, visual displays, sign language, plain-language, human-reader, augmentative and alternative modes and accessible information and communication technology;

(g) “competent authority” means an authority appointed under section 49;

(h) “discrimination” in relation to disability, means any distinction, exclusion, restriction on the basis of disability which is the purpose or effect of impairing or nullifying the recognition, enjoyment or exercise on an equal basis with others of all human rights and fundamental freedoms in the political, economic, social, cultural, civil or any other field and includes all forms of discrimination and denial of reasonable accommodation;

(i) “establishment” includes a Government establishment and private establishment;

(j) “Fund” means the National Fund constituted under section 86;

(k) “Government establishment” means a corporation established by or under a Central Act or State Act or an authority or a body owned or controlled or aided by the Government or a local authority or a Government company as defined in section 2 of the Companies Act, 2013 and 18 of 2013. includes a Department of the Government;

(l) “high support” means an intensive support, physical, psychological and otherwise, which may be required by a person with benchmark disability for daily activities, to take independent and informed decision to access facilities and participating in all areas of life including education, employment, family and community life and treatment and therapy;

(m) “inclusive education” means a system of education wherein students with and without disability learn together and the system of teaching and learning is suitably adapted to meet the learning needs of different types of students with disabilities;

(n) “information and communication technology” includes all services and innovations relating to information and communication, including telecom services, web based services, electronic and print services, digital and virtual services;

(o) “institution” means an institution for the reception, care, protection, education, training, rehabilitation and any other activities for persons with disabilities;

(p) “local authority” means a Municipality or a Panchayat, as defined in clause (e) and clause (f) of article 243P of the Constitution; a Cantonment Board constituted under the Cantonments Act, 2006; 41 of 2006. and any other authority established under an Act of Parliament or a State Legislature to administer the civic affairs;

(q) “notification” means a notification published in the Official Gazette and the expression “notify” or “notified” shall be construed accordingly;

(r) “person with benchmark disability” means a person with not less than forty per cent. of a specified disability where

specified disability has not been defined in measurable terms and includes a person with disability where specified disability has been defined in measurable terms, as certified by the certifying authority;

(s) “person with disability” means a person with long term physical, mental, intellectual or sensory impairment which, in interaction with barriers, hinders his full and effective participation in society equally with others;

(t) “person with disability having high support needs” means a person with benchmark disability certified under clause (a) of sub-section (2) of section 58 who needs high support;

(u) “prescribed” means prescribed by rules made under this Act;

(v) “private establishment” means a company, firm, cooperative or other society, associations, trust, agency, institution, organisation, union, factory or such other establishment as the appropriate Government may, by notification, specify;

(w) “public building” means a Government or private building, used or accessed by the public at large, including a building used for educational or vocational purposes, workplace, commercial activities, public utilities, religious, cultural, leisure or recreational activities, medical or health services, law enforcement agencies, reformatories or judicial foras, railway stations or platforms, roadways bus stands or terminus, airports or waterways;

(x) “public facilities and services” includes all forms of delivery of services to the public at large, including housing, educational and vocational trainings, employment and career advancement, shopping or marketing, religious, cultural, leisure or recreational, medical, health and rehabilitation, banking, finance and

insurance, communication, postal and information, access to justice, public utilities, transportation:

(y) “reasonable accommodation” means necessary and appropriate modification and adjustments, without imposing a disproportionate or undue burden in a particular case, to ensure to persons with disabilities the enjoyment or exercise of rights equally, with others;

(z) “registered organisation” means an association of persons with disabilities or a disabled person organisation, association of parents of persons with disabilities, association of persons with disabilities and family members, or a voluntary or non-governmental or charitable organisation or trust, society, or non-profit company working for the welfare of the persons with disabilities, duly registered under an Act of Parliament or a State Legislature:

(za) “rehabilitation” refers to a process aimed at enabling persons with disabilities to attain and maintain optimal, physical, sensory, intellectual, psychological environmental or social function levels;

(zb) “Special Employment Exchange” means any office or place established and maintained by the Government for the collection and furnishing of information, either by keeping of registers or otherwise, regarding—

(i) persons who seek to engage employees from amongst the persons with disabilities;

(ii) persons with benchmark disability who seek employment;

(iii) vacancies to which persons with benchmark disabilities seeking employment may be appointed;

(zc) “specified disability” means the disabilities as specified in the Schedule;

(zd) “transportation systems” includes road transport, rail transport, air transport, water transport, para transit systems for the last mile connectivity, road and street infrastructure, etc.;

(ze) “universal design” means the design of products, environments, programmes and services to be usable by all people to the greatest extent possible, without the need for adaptation or specialised design and shall apply to assistive devices including advanced technologies for particular group of persons with disabilities.

CHAPTER II

Rights and Entitlements

3. *Equality and non-discrimination.*—

(1) The appropriate Government shall ensure that the persons with disabilities enjoy the right to equality, life with dignity and respect for his or her integrity equally with others.

(2) The appropriate Government shall take steps to utilise the capacity of persons with disabilities by providing appropriate environment.

(3) No person with disability shall be discriminated on the ground of disability, unless it is shown that the impugned act or omission is a proportionate means of achieving a legitimate aim.

(4) No person shall be deprived of his or her personal liberty only on the ground of disability.

(5) The appropriate Government shall take necessary steps to ensure reasonable accommodation for persons with disabilities.

4. *Women and children with disabilities.*—

(1) The appropriate Government and the local authorities shall take measures to ensure that the women and children with disabilities enjoy their rights equally with others.

(2) The appropriate Government and local authorities shall ensure that all children with

disabilities shall have right on an equal basis to freely express their views on all matters affecting them and provide them appropriate support keeping in view their age and disability.”.

5. *Community life.*— (1) The persons with disabilities shall have the right to live in the community.

(2) The appropriate Government shall endeavour that the persons with disabilities are,—

(a) not obliged to live in any particular living arrangement; and

(b) given access to a range of in-house, residential and other community support services, including personal assistance necessary to support living with due regard to age and gender.

6. *Protection from cruelty and inhuman treatment.*— (1) The appropriate Government shall take measures to protect persons with disabilities from being subjected to torture, cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment.

(2) No person with disability shall be a subject of any research without,—

(i) his or her free and informed consent obtained through accessible modes, means and formats of communication; and

(ii) prior permission of a Committee for Research on Disability constituted in the prescribed manner for the purpose by the appropriate Government in which not less than half of the Members shall themselves be either persons with disabilities or Members of the registered organisation as defined under clause (z) of section 2.

7. *Protection from abuse, violence and exploitation.*— (1) The appropriate Government shall take measures to protect persons with disabilities from all forms of abuse, violence and exploitation and to prevent the same, shall—

(a) take cognizance of incidents of abuse, violence and exploitation and provide legal remedies available against such incidents;

(b) take steps for avoiding such incidents and prescribe the procedure for its reporting;

(c) take steps to rescue, protect and rehabilitate victims of such incidents; and

(d) create awareness and make available information among the public.

(2) Any person or registered organisation who or which has reason to believe that an act of abuse, violence or exploitation has been, or is being, or is likely to be committed against any person with disability, may give information about it to the Executive Magistrate within the local limits of whose jurisdiction such incidents occur.

(3) The Executive Magistrate on receipt of such information, shall take immediate steps to stop or prevent its occurrence, as the case may be, or pass such order as he deems fit for the protection of such person with disability including an order—

(a) to rescue the victim of such act, authorising the police or any organisation working for persons with disabilities to provide for the safe custody or rehabilitation of such person, or both, as the case may be;

(b) for providing protective custody to the person with disability, if such person so desires;

(c) to provide maintenance to such person with disability.

(4) Any police officer who receives a complaint or otherwise comes to know of abuse, violence or exploitation towards any person with disability shall inform the aggrieved person of—

(a) his or her right to apply for protection under sub-section (2) and the particulars

of the Executive Magistrate having jurisdiction to provide assistance;

(b) the particulars of the nearest organisation or institution working for the rehabilitation of persons with disabilities;

(c) the right to free legal aid; and

(d) the right to file a complaint under the provisions of this Act or any other law dealing with such offence:

Provided that nothing in this section shall be construed in any manner as to relieve the police officer from his duty to proceed in accordance with law upon receipt of information as to the commission of a cognizable offence.

(5) If the Executive Magistrate finds that the alleged act or behaviour constitutes an offence under the Indian Penal Code, or ^{45 of 1860.} under any other law for the time being in force, he may forward the complaint to that effect to the Judicial or Metropolitan Magistrate, as the case may be, having jurisdiction in the matter.

8. *Protection and safety.*— (1) The persons with disabilities shall have equal protection and safety in situations of risk, armed conflict, humanitarian emergencies and natural disasters.

(2) The National Disaster Management Authority and the State Disaster Management Authority shall take appropriate measures to ensure inclusion of persons with disabilities in its disaster management activities as defined under clause (e) of section 2 of the Disaster Management Act, 2005 for ^{53 of 2005.} the safety and protection of persons with disabilities.

(3) The District Disaster Management Authority constituted

under section 25 of the Disaster Management Act, 2005 shall ^{53 of 2005.} maintain record of details of persons with disabilities in the district and take suitable measures to inform such persons of any situations of risk so as to enhance disaster preparedness.

(4) The authorities engaged in reconstruction activities subsequent to any situation of risk, armed conflict or natural disasters shall undertake such activities, in consultation with the concerned State Commissioner, in accordance with the accessibility requirements of persons with disabilities.

9. *Home and family.*— (1) No child with disability shall be separated from his or her parents on the ground of disability except on an order of competent court, if required, in the best interest of the child.

(2) Where the parents are unable to take care of a child with disability, the competent court shall place such child with his or her near relations, and failing that within the community in a family setting or in exceptional cases in shelter home run by the appropriate Government or non-governmental organisation, as may be required.

10. *Reproductive rights.*— (1) The appropriate Government shall ensure that persons with disabilities have access to appropriate information regarding reproductive and family planning.

(2) No person with disability shall be subject to any medical procedure which leads to infertility without his or her free and informed consent.

11. *Accessibility in voting.*— The Election Commission of India and the State Election Commissions shall ensure that all polling stations are accessible to persons with disabilities and all materials related to the electoral process are easily understandable by and accessible to them.

12. *Access to justice.*— (1) The appropriate Government shall ensure that persons with disabilities are able to exercise the right to access any court, tribunal, authority, commission or any other body having judicial or quasi-judicial or investigative powers without discrimination on the basis of disability.

(2) The appropriate Government shall take steps to put in place suitable support measures for persons with disabilities specially those living outside family and those disabled requiring high support for exercising legal rights.

(3) The National Legal Services Authority and the State Legal Services Authorities constituted under the Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987 shall make provisions ^{39 of 1987.} including reasonable accommodation to ensure that persons with disabilities have access to any scheme, programme, facility or service offered by them equally with others.

(4) The appropriate Government shall take steps to—

(a) ensure that all their public documents are in accessible formats;

(b) ensure that the filing departments, registry or any other office of records are supplied with necessary equipment to enable filing, storing and referring to the documents and evidence in accessible formats; and

(c) make available all necessary facilities and equipment to facilitate recording of testimonies, arguments or opinion given by persons with disabilities in their preferred language and means of communication.

13. *Legal capacity.*— (1) The appropriate Government shall ensure that the persons with disabilities have right, equally with others, to own or inherit property, movable or

immovable, control their financial affairs and have access to bank loans, mortgages and other forms of financial credit.

(2) The appropriate Government shall ensure that the persons with disabilities enjoy legal capacity on an equal basis with others in all aspects of life and have the right to equal recognition everywhere as any other person before the law.

(3) When a conflict of interest arises between a person providing support and a person with disability in a particular financial, property or other economic transaction, then such supporting person shall abstain from providing support to the person with disability in that transaction:

Provided that there shall not be a presumption of conflict of interest just on the basis that the supporting person is related to the person with disability by blood, affinity or adoption.

(4) A person with disability may alter, modify or dismantle any support arrangement and seek the support of another:

Provided that such alteration, modification or dismantling shall be prospective in nature and shall not nullify any third party transaction entered into by the person with disability with the aforesaid support arrangement.

(5) Any person providing support to the person with disability shall not exercise undue influence and shall respect his or her autonomy, dignity and privacy.

14. *Provision for guardianship.*— (1) Notwithstanding anything contained in any other law for the time being in force, on and from the date of commencement of this Act, where a district court or any designated authority, as notified by the State Government, finds that a person with disability, who had been provided adequate and appropriate support but is unable to take legally binding decisions, may be provided further support of a limited guardian to take legally binding

decisions on his behalf in consultation with such person, in such manner, as may be prescribed by the State Government:

Provided that the District Court or the designated authority, as the case may be, may grant total support to the person with disability requiring such support or where the limited guardianship is to be granted repeatedly, in which case, the decision regarding the support to be provided shall be reviewed by the Court or the designated authority, as the case may be, to determine the nature and manner of support to be provided.

Explanation.— For the purposes of this sub-section, “limited guardianship” means a system of joint decision which operates on mutual understanding and trust between the guardian and the person with disability, which shall be limited to a specific period and for specific decision and situation and shall operate in accordance to the will of the person with disability.

(2) On and from the date of commencement of this Act, every guardian appointed under any provision of any other law for the time being in force, for a person with disability shall be deemed to function as a limited guardian.

(3) Any person with disability aggrieved by the decision of the designated authority appointing a legal guardian may prefer an appeal to such appellate authority, as may be notified by the State Government for the purpose.

15. *Designation of authorities to support.*—

(1) The appropriate Government shall designate one or more authorities to mobilise to the community and create social awareness to support persons with disabilities in exercise of their legal capacity.

(2) The authority designated under sub-section (1) shall take measures for setting up suitable support arrangements to exercise legal capacity by persons with disabilities living in institutions and those with high support needs and any other measures as may be required.

CHAPTER III

Education

16. *Duty of educational institutions.*— The appropriate Government and the local authorities shall endeavour that all educational institutions funded or recognised by them provide inclusive education to the children with disabilities and towards that end shall—

(i) admit them without discrimination and provide education and opportunities for sports and recreation activities equally with others;

(ii) make building, campus and various facilities accessible;

(iii) provide reasonable accommodation according to the individual's requirements;

(iv) provide necessary support individualised or otherwise in environments that maximise academic and social development consistent with the goal of full inclusion;

(v) ensure that the education to persons who are blind or deaf or both is imparted in the most appropriate languages and modes and means of communication;

(vi) detect specific learning disabilities in children at the earliest and take suitable pedagogical and other measures to overcome them;

(vii) monitor participation, progress in terms of attainment levels and completion of education in respect of every student with disability;

(viii) provide transportation facilities to the children with disabilities and also the attendant of the children with disabilities having high support needs.

17. *Specific measures to promote and facilitate inclusive education.*— The

appropriate Government and the local authorities shall take the following measures for the purpose of section 15, namely:—

(a) to conduct survey of school going children in every five years for identifying children with disabilities, ascertaining their special needs and the extent to which these are being met;

Provided that the first survey shall be conducted within a period of two years from the date of commencement of this Act;

(b) to establish adequate number of teacher training institutions;

(c) to train and employ teachers, including teachers with disability who are qualified in sign language and Braille and also teachers who are trained in teaching children with intellectual disability;

(d) to train professionals and staff to support inclusive education at all levels of school education;

(e) to establish adequate number of resource centres to support educational institutions at all levels of school education;

(f) to promote the use of appropriate augmentative and alternative modes including means and formats of communication, Braille and sign language to supplement the use of one's own speech to fulfill the daily communication needs of persons with speech, communication or language disabilities and enables them to participate and contribute to their community and society;

(g) to provide books, other learning materials and appropriate assistive devices to students with benchmark disabilities free of cost up to the age of eighteen years;

(h) to provide scholarships in appropriate cases to students with benchmark disability;

(i) to make suitable modifications in the curriculum and examination system to meet the needs of students with disabilities such as extra time for completion of examination paper, facility of scribe or amanuensis, exemption from second and third language courses;

(j) to promote research to improve learning; and

(k) any other measures, as may be required.

18. *Adult education.*— The appropriate Government and the local authorities shall take measures to promote, protect and ensure participation of persons with disabilities in adult education and continuing education programmes equally with others.

CHAPTER IV

Skill Development and Employment

19. *Vocational training and self-employment.*— (1) The appropriate Government shall formulate schemes and programmes including provision of loans at concessional rates to facilitate and support employment of persons with disabilities especially for their vocational training and self-employment.

(2) The schemes and programmes referred to in sub-section (1) shall provide for—

(a) inclusion of person with disability in all mainstream formal and non-formal vocational and skill training schemes and programmes;

(b) to ensure that a person with disability has adequate support and facilities to avail specific training;

(c) exclusive skill training programmes for persons with disabilities with active links with the market, for those with developmental, intellectual, multiple disabilities and autism;

(d) loans at concessional rates including that of micro credit;

(e) marketing the products made by persons with disabilities; and

(f) maintenance of disaggregated data on the progress made in the skill training and self-employment, including persons with disabilities.

20. *Non-discrimination in employment.*— (1) No Government establishment shall discriminate against any person with disability in any matter relating to employment:

Provided that the appropriate Government may, having regard to the type of work carried on in any establishment, by notification and subject to such conditions, if any, exempt any establishment from the provisions of this section.

(2) Every Government establishment shall provide reasonable accommodation and appropriate barrier free and conducive environment to employees with disability.

(3) No promotion shall be denied to a person merely on the ground of disability.

(4) No Government establishment shall dispense with or reduce in rank, an employee who acquires a disability during his or her service:

Provided that, if an employee after acquiring disability is not suitable for the post he was holding, shall be shifted to some other post with the same pay scale and service benefits:

Provided further that if it is not possible to adjust the employee against any post, he may be kept on a supernumerary post until a suitable post is available or he attains the age of superannuation, whichever is earlier.

(5) The appropriate Government may frame policies for posting and transfer of employees with disabilities.

21. *Equal opportunity policy.*— (1) Every establishment shall notify equal opportunity policy detailing measures proposed to be taken by it in pursuance of the provisions of this Chapter in the manner as may be prescribed by the Central Government.

(2) Every establishment shall register a copy of the said policy with the Chief Commissioner or the State Commissioner, as the case may be.

22. *Maintenance of records.*— (1) Every establishment shall maintain records of the persons with disabilities in relation to the matter of employment, facilities provided and other necessary information in compliance with the provisions of this Chapter in such form and manner as may be prescribed by the Central Government.

(2) Every employment exchange shall maintain records of persons with disabilities seeking employment.

(3) The records maintained under subsection (1) shall be open to inspection at all reasonable hours by such persons as may be authorised in their behalf by the appropriate Government.

23. *Appointment of Grievance Redressal Officer.*— (1) Every Government establishment shall appoint a Grievance Redressal Officer for the purpose of section 19 and shall inform the Chief Commissioner or the State Commissioner, as the case may be, about the appointment of such officer.

(2) Any person aggrieved with the non-compliance of the provisions of section 20, may file a complaint with the Grievance Redressal Officer, who shall investigate it and shall take up the matter with the establishment for corrective action.

(3) The Grievance Redressal Officer shall maintain a register of complaints in the manner as may be prescribed by the Central Government, and every complaint shall be inquired within two weeks of its registration.

(4) If the aggrieved person is not satisfied with the action taken on his or her complaint, he or she may approach the District-Level Committee on disability.

CHAPTER V

Social Security, Health, Rehabilitation and Recreation

24. *Social security.*— (1) The appropriate Government shall within the limit of its economic capacity and development formulate necessary schemes and programmes to safeguard and promote the right of persons with disabilities for adequate standard of living to enable them to live independently or in the community:

Provided that the quantum of assistance to the persons with disabilities under such schemes and programmes shall be at least twenty-five per cent. higher than the similar schemes applicable to others.

(2) The appropriate Government while devising these schemes and programmes shall give due consideration to the diversity of disability, gender, age, and socio-economic status.

(3) The schemes under sub-section (1) shall provide for,—

(a) community centres with good living conditions in terms of safety, sanitation, health care and counselling;

(b) facilities for persons including children with disabilities who have no family or have been abandoned, or are without shelter or livelihood;

(c) support during natural or man-made disasters and in areas of conflict;

(d) support to women with disability for livelihood and for upbringing of their children;

(e) access to safe drinking water and appropriate and accessible sanitation

facilities especially in urban slums and rural areas;

(f) provisions of aids and appliances, medicine and diagnostic services and corrective surgery free of cost to persons with disabilities with such income ceiling as may be notified;

(g) disability pension to persons with disabilities subject to such income ceiling as may be notified;

(h) unemployment allowance to persons with disabilities registered with Special Employment Exchange for more than two years and who could not be placed in any gainful occupation;

(i) care-giver allowance to persons with disabilities with high support needs;

(j) comprehensive insurance scheme for persons with disability, not covered under the Employees State Insurance Schemes, or any other statutory or Government-sponsored insurance schemes;

(k) any other matter which the appropriate Government may think fit.

25. *Healthcare.*— (1) The appropriate Government and the local authorities shall take necessary measures for the persons with disabilities to provide,—

(a) free healthcare in the vicinity specially in rural area subject to such family income as may be notified;

(b) barrier-free access in all parts of Government and private hospitals and other healthcare institutions and centres;

(c) priority in attendance and treatment.

(2) The appropriate Government and the local authorities shall take measures and make schemes or programmes to promote healthcare and prevent the occurrence of disabilities and for the said purpose shall—

(a) undertake or cause to be undertaken surveys, investigations and research concerning the cause of occurrence of disabilities;

(b) promote various methods for preventing disabilities;

(c) screen all the children at-least once in a year for the purpose of identifying “at-risk” cases;

(d) provide facilities for training to the staff at the primary health centres;

(e) sponsor or cause to be sponsored awareness campaigns and disseminate or cause to be disseminated information for general hygiene, health and sanitation;

(f) take measures for pre-natal, perinatal and post-natal care of mother and child;

(g) educate the public through the pre-schools, schools, primary health centres, village level workers and anganwadi workers;

(h) create awareness amongst the masses through television, radio and other mass media on the causes of disabilities and the preventive measures to be adopted;

(i) healthcare during the time of natural disasters and other situations of risk;

(j) essential medical facilities for life saving emergency treatment and procedures; and

(k) sexual and reproductive healthcare especially for women with disability.

26. *Insurance schemes.*— The appropriate Government shall, by notification, make insurance schemes for their employees with-disabilities.

27. *Rehabilitation.*— (1) The appropriate Government and the local authorities shall

within their economic capacity and development, undertake or cause to be undertaken services and programmes of rehabilitation, particularly in the areas of health, education and employment for all persons with disabilities.

(2) For the purposes of sub-section (1), the appropriate Government and the local authorities may grant financial assistance to non-Governmental Organisations.

(3) The appropriate Government and the local authorities, while formulating rehabilitation policies shall consult the non-Governmental Organisations working for the cause of persons with disabilities.

28. *Research and development.*— The appropriate Government shall initiate or cause to be initiated research and development through individuals and institutions on issues which shall enhance habilitation and rehabilitation and on such other issues which are necessary for the empowerment of persons with disabilities.

29. *Culture and recreation.*— The appropriate Government and the local authorities shall take measures to promote and protect the rights of all persons with disabilities to have a cultural life and to participate in recreational activities equally with others which include,—

(a) facilities, support and sponsorships to artists and writers with disability to pursue their interests and talents;

(b) establishment of a disability history museum which chronicles and interprets the historical experiences of persons with disabilities;

(c) making art accessible to persons with disabilities;

(d) promoting recreation centres, and other associational activities;

(e) facilitating participation in scouting, dancing, art classes, outdoor camps and adventure activities;

(f) redesigning courses in cultural and arts subjects to enable participation and access for persons with disabilities;

(g) developing technology, assistive devices and equipments to facilitate access and inclusion for persons with disabilities in recreational activities; and

(h) ensuring that persons with hearing impairment can have access to television programmes with sign language interpretation or sub-titles.

30. *Sporting activities.*— (1) The appropriate Government shall take measures to ensure effective participation in sporting activities of the persons with disabilities.

(2) The sports authorities shall accord due recognition to the right of persons with disabilities to participate in sports and shall make due provisions for the inclusion of persons with disabilities in their schemes and programmes for the promotion and development of sporting talents.

(3) Without prejudice to the provisions contained in sub-sections (1) and (2), the appropriate Government and the sports authorities shall take measures to,—

(a) restructure courses and programmes to ensure access, inclusion and participation of persons with disabilities in all sporting activities;

(b) redesign and support infrastructure facilities of all sporting activities for persons with disabilities;

(c) develop technology to enhance potential, talent, capacity and ability in sporting activities of all persons with disabilities;

(d) provide multi-sensory essentials and features in all sporting activities to ensure effective participation of all persons with disabilities;

(e) allocate funds for development of state of art sport facilities for training of persons with disabilities;

(f) promote and organise disability specific sporting events for persons with disabilities and also facilitate awards to the winners and other participants of such sporting events.

CHAPTER VI

Special Provisions for Persons with Benchmark Disabilities

31. *Free education for children with benchmark disabilities.*— (1) Notwithstanding anything contained in the Rights of Children to Free and Compulsory Education Act, 2009, ^{35 of 2009.} every child with benchmark disability between the age of six to eighteen years shall have the right to free education in a neighbourhood school, or in a special school, of his choice.

(2) The appropriate Government and local authorities shall ensure that every child with benchmark disability has access to free education in an appropriate environment till he attains the age of eighteen years.

32. *Reservation in higher educational institutions.*— (1) All Government institutions of higher education and other higher education institutions receiving aid from the Government shall reserve not less than five per cent seats for persons with benchmark disabilities.

(2) The persons with benchmark disabilities shall be given an upper age relaxation of five years for admission in institutions of higher education.

33. *Identification of posts for reservation.*— The appropriate Government shall—

(i) identify posts in the establishments which can be held by respective category

of persons with benchmark disabilities in respect of the vacancies reserved in accordance with the provisions of section 34;

(ii) constitute an expert committee with representation of persons with benchmark disabilities for identification of such posts; and

(iii) undertake periodic review of the identified posts at an interval not exceeding three years.

34. *Reservation.*— (1) Every appropriate Government shall appoint in every Government establishment, not less than four per cent of the total number of vacancies in the cadre strength in each group of posts meant to be filled with persons with benchmark disabilities of which, one per cent each shall be reserved for persons with benchmark disabilities under clauses (a), (b) and (c) and one per cent for persons with benchmark disabilities under clauses (d) and (e), namely:—

(a) blindness and low vision;

(b) deaf and hard of hearing;

(c) locomotor disability including cerebral palsy, leprosy cured, dwarfism, acid attack victims and muscular dystrophy;

(d) autism, intellectual disability, specific learning disability and mental illness;

(e) multiple disabilities from amongst persons under clauses (a) to (d) including deaf-blindness in the posts identified for each disabilities:

Provided that the reservation in promotion shall be in accordance with such instructions as are issued by the appropriate Government from time to time:

Provided further that the appropriate Government, in consultation with the Chief

Commissioner or the State Commissioner, as the case may be, may, having regard to the type of work carried out in any Government establishment, by notification and subject to such conditions, if any, as may be specified in such notifications exempt any Government establishment from the provisions of this section.

(2) Where in any recruitment year any vacancy cannot be filled up due to non-availability of a suitable person with benchmark disability or for any other sufficient reasons, such vacancy shall be carried forward in the succeeding recruitment year and if in the succeeding recruitment year also suitable person with benchmark disability is not available, it may first be filled by interchange among the five categories and only when there is no person with disability available for the post in that year, the employer shall fill up the vacancy by appointment of a person, other than a person with disability:

Provided that if the nature of vacancies in an establishment is such that a given category of person cannot be employed, the vacancies may be interchanged among the five categories with the prior approval of the appropriate Government.

(3) The appropriate Government may, by notification, provide for such relaxation of upper age limit for employment of persons with benchmark disability, as it thinks fit.

35. *Incentives to employers to private sector.*— The appropriate Government and the local authorities shall, within the limit of their economic capacity and development, provide incentives to employer in private sector to ensure that at least five per cent. of their work force is composed of persons with benchmark disability.

36. *Special employment exchange.*— The appropriate Government may, by notification, require that from such date, the employer in every establishment shall furnish such information or return as may be prescribed by

the Central Government in relation to vacancies appointed for persons with benchmark disability that have occurred or are about to occur in that establishment to such special employment exchange as may be notified by the Central Government and the establishment shall thereupon comply with such requisition.

37. *Special schemes and development programmes.*— The appropriate Government and the local authorities shall, by notification, make schemes in favour of persons with benchmark disabilities, to provide,—

(a) five per cent. reservation in allotment of agricultural land and housing in all relevant schemes and development programmes, with appropriate priority to women with benchmark disabilities;

(b) five per cent. reservation in all poverty alleviation and various developmental schemes with priority to women with benchmark disabilities;

(c) five per cent. reservation in allotment of land on concessional rate, where such land is to be used for the purpose of promoting housing, shelter, setting up of occupation, business, enterprise, recreation centres and production centres.

CHAPTER VII

Special Provisions for Persons with Disabilities with High Support Needs

38. *Special provisions for persons with disabilities with high support.*— (1) Any person with benchmark disability, who considers himself to be in need of high support, or any person or organisation on his or her behalf, may apply to an authority, to be notified by the appropriate Government, requesting to provide high support.

(2) On receipt of an application under sub-section (1), the authority shall refer it to an Assessment Board consisting of such Members as may be prescribed by the Central Government.

(3) The Assessment Board shall assess the case referred to it under sub-section (1) in such manner as may be prescribed by the Central Government, and shall send a report to the authority certifying the need of high support and its nature.

(4) On receipt of a report under sub-section (3), the authority shall take steps to provide support in accordance with the report and subject to relevant schemes and orders of the appropriate Government in this behalf.

CHAPTER VIII

Duties and Responsibilities of Appropriate Governments

39. *Awareness campaigns.*— (1) The appropriate Government, in consultation with the Chief Commissioner or the State Commissioner, as the case may be, shall conduct, encourage, support or promote awareness campaigns and sensitisation programmes to ensure that the rights of the persons with disabilities provided under this Act are protected.

(2) The programmes and campaigns specified under sub-section (1) shall also,—

(a) promote values of inclusion, tolerance, empathy and respect for diversity;

(b) advance recognition of the skills, merits and abilities of persons with disabilities and of their contributions to the workforce, labour market and professional fee;

(c) foster respect for the decisions made by persons with disabilities on all matters related to family life, relationships, bearing and raising children;

(d) provide orientation and sensitisation at the school, college, University and professional training level on the human condition of disability and the rights of persons with disabilities;

(e) provide orientation and sensitisation on disabling conditions and rights of

persons with disabilities to employers, administrators and co-workers;

(f) ensure that the rights of persons with disabilities are included in the curriculum in Universities, colleges and schools.

40. *Accessibility.*— The Central Government shall, in consultation with the Chief Commissioner, formulate rules for persons with disabilities laying down the standards of accessibility for the physical environment, transportation, information and communications, including appropriate technologies and systems, and other facilities and services provided to the public in urban and rural areas.

41. *Access to transport.*— (1) The appropriate Government shall take suitable measures to provide,—

(a) facilities for persons with disabilities at bus stops, railway stations and airports conforming to the accessibility standards relating to parking spaces, toilets, ticketing counters and ticketing machines;

(b) access to all modes of transport that conform the design standards, including retrofitting old modes of transport, wherever technically feasible and safe for persons with disabilities, economically viable and without entailing major structural changes in design;

(c) accessible roads to address mobility necessary for persons with disabilities.

(2) The appropriate Government shall develop schemes programmes to promote the personal mobility of persons with disabilities at affordable cost to provide for,—

(a) incentives and concessions;

(b) retrofitting of vehicles; and

(c) personal mobility assistance.

42. *Access to information and communication technology.*— The appropriate

Government shall take measures to ensure that,—

(i) all contents available in audio, print and electronic media are in accessible format;

(ii) persons with disabilities have access to electronic media by providing audio description, sign language interpretation and close captioning;

(iii) electronic goods and equipment which are meant for every day use are available in universal design.

43. *Consumer goods.*— The appropriate Government shall take measures to promote development, production and distribution of universally designed consumer products and accessories for general use for persons with disabilities.

44. *Mandatory observance of accessibility norms.*— (1) No establishment shall be granted permission to build any structure if the building plan does not adhere to the rules formulated by the Central Government under section 40.

(2) No establishment shall be issued a certificate of completion or allowed to take occupation of a building unless it has adhered to the rules formulated by the Central Government.

45. *Time limit for making existing infrastructure and premises accessible and action for that purpose.*— (1) All existing public buildings shall be made accessible in accordance with the rules formulated by the Central Government within a period not exceeding five years from the date of notification of such rules:

Provided that the Central Government may grant extension of time to the States on a case to case basis for adherence to this provision depending on their state of preparedness and other related parameters.

(2) The appropriate Government and the local authorities shall formulate and publish an action plan based on prioritisation, for providing accessibility in all their buildings and spaces providing essential services such as all primary health centres, civil hospitals, schools, railway stations and bus stops.

46. *Time limit for accessibility by service providers.*— The service providers whether Government or private shall provide services in accordance with the rules on accessibility formulated by the Central Government under section 40 within a period of two years from the date of notification of such rules:

Provided that the Central Government in consultation with the Chief Commissioner may grant extension of time for providing certain category of services in accordance with the said rules.

47. *Human resource development.*—
(1) Without prejudice to any function and power of Rehabilitation Council of India constituted under the Rehabilitation Council of India Act, 1992, the appropriate Government shall endeavour to develop human resource for the purposes of this Act and to that end shall,—

(a) mandate training on disability rights in all courses for the training of Panchayati Raj Members, legislators, administrators, police officials, judges and lawyers;

(b) induct disability as a component for all education courses for schools, colleges and University teachers, doctors, nurses, para-medical personnel, social welfare officers, rural development officers, asha workers, *anganwadi workers*, engineers, architects, other professionals and community workers;

(c) initiate capacity building programmes including training in independent living and community relationships for families, members of community and other

stakeholders and care providers on care giving and support;

(d) ensure independence training for persons with disabilities to build community relationships on mutual contribution and respect;

(e) conduct training programmes for sports teachers with focus on sports, games, adventure activities;

(f) any other capacity development measures as may be required.

(2) All Universities shall promote teaching and research in disability studies including establishment of study centres for such studies.

(3) In order to fulfil the obligation stated in sub-section (1), the appropriate Government shall in every five years undertake a need based analysis and formulate plans for the recruitment, induction, sensitisation, orientation and training of suitable personnel to undertake the various responsibilities under this Act.

48. *Social audit.*— The appropriate Government shall undertake social audit of all general schemes and programmes involving the persons with disabilities to ensure that the scheme and programmes do not have an adverse impact upon the persons with disabilities and need the requirements and concerns of persons with disabilities.

CHAPTER IX

Registration of Institutions for Persons with Disabilities and Grants to such Institutions

49. *Competent authority.*— The State Government shall appoint an authority as it deems fit to be a competent authority for the purposes of this Chapter.

50. *Registration.*— Save as otherwise provided under this Act, no person shall establish or maintain any institution for

persons with disabilities except in accordance with a certificate of registration issued in this behalf by the competent authority:

Provided that an institution for care of mentally ill persons, which holds a valid licence under section 8 of the Mental Health Act, 1987 or 14 of 1987, any other Act for the time being in force, shall not be required to be registered under this Act.

51. Application and grant of certificate of registration.— (1) Every application for a certificate of registration shall be made to the competent authority in such form and in such manner as may be prescribed by the State Government.

(2) On receipt of an application under sub-section (1), the competent authority shall make such enquiries as it may deem fit and on being satisfied that the applicant has complied with the requirements of this Act and the rules made thereunder, it shall grant a certificate of registration to the applicant within a period of ninety days of receipt of application and if not satisfied, the competent authority shall, by order, refuse to grant the certificate applied for:

Provided that before making any order refusing to grant a certificate, the competent authority shall give the applicant a reasonable opportunity of being heard and every order of refusal to grant a certificate shall be communicated to the applicant in writing.

(3) No certificate of registration shall be granted under sub-section (2) unless the institution with respect to which an application has been made is in a position to provide such facilities and meet such standards as may be prescribed by the State Government.

(4) The certificate of registration granted under sub-section (2),—

(a) shall, unless revoked under section 52 remain in force for such period as may be prescribed by the State Government;

(b) may be renewed from time to time for a like period; and

(c) shall be in such form and shall be subject to such conditions as may be prescribed by the State Government.

(5) An application for renewal of a certificate of registration shall be made not less than sixty days before the expiry of the period of validity.

(6) A copy of the certificate of registration shall be displayed by the institution in a conspicuous place.

(7) Every application made under sub-section (1) or sub-section (5) shall be disposed of by the competent authority within such period as may be prescribed by the State Government.

52. Revocation of registration.— (1) The competent authority may, if it has reason to believe that the holder of a certificate of registration granted under sub-section (2) of section 51 has,—

(a) made a statement in relation to any application for the issue or renewal of the certificate which is incorrect or false in material particulars; or

(b) committed or has caused to be committed any breach of rules or any conditions subject to which the certificate was granted,

it may, after making such inquiry, as it deems fit, by order, revoke the certificate:

Provided that no such order shall be made until an opportunity is given to the holder of the certificate to show cause as to why the certificate of registration shall not be revoked.

(2) Where a certificate of registration in respect of an institution has been revoked under sub-section (1), such institution shall cease to function from the date of such revocation:

Provided that where an appeal lies under section 53 against the order of revocation, such institution shall cease to function,—

(a) where no appeal has been preferred immediately on the expiry of the period prescribed for the filing of such appeal; or

(b) where such appeal has been preferred, but the order of revocation has been upheld, from the date of the order of appeal.

(3) On the revocation of a certificate of registration in respect of an institution, the competent authority may direct that any person with disability who is an inmate of such institution on the date of such revocation, shall be—

(a) restored to the custody of his or her parent, spouse or lawful guardian, as the case may be; or

(b) transferred to any other institution specified by the competent authority.

(4) Every institution which holds a certificate of registration which is revoked under this section shall, immediately after such revocation, surrender such certificate to the competent authority.

53. *Appeal.*— (1) Any person aggrieved by the order of the competent authority refusing to grant a certificate of registration or revoking a certificate of registration may, within such period as may be prescribed by the State Government, prefer an appeal to such appellate authority, as may be notified by the State Government against such refusal or revocation.

(2) The order of the appellate authority on such appeal shall be final.

54. *Act not to apply to institutions established or maintained by Central or State Government.*— Nothing contained in this Chapter shall apply to an institution for

persons with disabilities established or maintained by the Central Government or a State Government.

55. *Assistance to registered institutions.*— The appropriate Government may within the limits of their economic capacity and development, grant financial assistance to registered institutions to provide services and to implement the schemes and programmes in pursuance of the provisions of this Act.

CHAPTER X

Certification of Specified Disabilities

56. *Guidelines for assessment of specified disabilities.*— The Central Government shall notify guidelines for the purpose of assessing the extent of specified disability in a person.

57. *Designation of certifying authorities.*— (1) The appropriate Government shall designate persons, having requisite qualifications and experience, as certifying authorities, who shall be competent to issue the certificate of disability.

(2) The appropriate Government shall also notify the jurisdiction within which and the terms and conditions subject to which, the certifying authority shall perform its certification functions.

58. *Procedure for certification.*— (1) Any person with specified disability, may apply, in such manner as may be prescribed by the Central Government, to a certifying authority having jurisdiction, for issuing of a certificate of disability.

(2) On receipt of an application under sub-section (1), the certifying authority shall assess the disability of the concerned person in accordance with relevant guidelines notified under section 56, and shall, after such assessment, as the case may be,—

(a) issue a certificate of disability to such person, in such form as may be prescribed by the Central Government;

(b) inform him in writing that he has no specified disability.

(3) The certificate of disability issued under this section shall be valid across the country.

59. *Appeal against a decision of certifying authority.*— (1) Any person aggrieved with decision of the certifying authority, may appeal against such decision, within such time and in such manner as may be prescribed by the State Government, to such appellate authority as the State Government may designate for the purpose.

(2) On receipt of an appeal, the appellate authority shall decide the appeal in such manner as may be prescribed by the State Government.

CHAPTER XI

Central and State Advisory Boards on Disability and District Level Committee

60. *Construction of Central Advisory Board on disability.*— (1) The Central Government shall, by notification, constitute a body to be known as the Central Advisory Board on Disability to exercise the powers conferred on, and to perform the functions assigned to it, under this Act.

(2) The Central Advisory Board shall consist of,—

(a) the Minister in charge of Department of Disability Affairs in the Central Government, Chairperson, *ex officio*;

(b) the Minister of State in charge dealing with Department of Disability Affairs in the Ministry in the Central Government, Vice Chairperson, *ex officio*;

(c) three Members of Parliament, of whom two shall be elected by Lok Sabha and one by the Rajya Sabha, Members, *ex officio*;

(d) the Ministers in charge of Disability Affairs of all States and Administrators or

Lieutenant Governors of the Union territories, Members, *ex officio*;

(e) Secretaries to the Government of India in charge of the Ministries or Departments of Disability Affairs, Social Justice and Empowerment, School Education and Literacy, and Higher Education Women and Child Development, Expenditure, Personnel and Training, Administrative Reforms and Public Grievances, Health and Family Welfare, Rural Development, Panchayati Raj, Industrial Policy and Promotion, Urban Development, Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation, Science and Technology, Communications and Information Technology, Legal Affairs, Public Enterprises, Youth Affairs and Sports, Road Transport and Highways and Civil Aviation, Members, *ex officio*;

(f) Secretary, National Institute of Transforming India (NITI) Aayog, Member, *ex officio*;

(g) Chairperson, Rehabilitation Council of India, Member, *ex officio*;

(h) Chairperson, National Trust for the Welfare of Persons with Autism, Cerebral Palsy, Mental Retardation and Multiple Disabilities, Member, *ex officio*;

(i) Chairman-cum-Managing Director, National Handicapped Finance Development Corporation, Member, *ex officio*;

(j) Chairman-cum-Managing Director, Artificial Limbs Manufacturing Corporation, Member, *ex officio*;

(k) Chairman, Railway Board, Member, *ex officio*;

(l) Director-General, Employment and Training, Ministry of Labour and Employment, Member, *ex officio*;

(m) Director, National Council for Educational Research and Training, Member, *ex officio*;

(n) Chairperson, National Council of Teacher Education, Member, *ex officio*;

(o) Chairperson, University Grants Commission, Member, *ex officio*;

(p) Chairperson, Medical Council of India, Member, *ex officio*;

(q) Directors of the following Institutes:—

(i) National Institute for the Visually Handicapped, Dehradun;

(ii) National Institute for the Mentally Handicapped, Secundrabad;

(iii) Pandit Deen Dayal Upadhyay Institute for the Physically Handicapped, New Delhi;

(iv) Ali Yavar Jung National Institute for the Hearing Handicapped, Mumbai;

(v) National Institute for the Orthopaedically Handicapped, Kolkata;

(vi) National Institute of Rehabilitation Training and Research, Cuttack;

(vii) National Institute for Empowerment of Persons with Multiple Disabilities, Chennai;

(viii) National Institute for Mental Health and Sciences, Bangalore;

(ix) Indian Sign Language Research and Training Centre, New Delhi, Members, *ex officio*;

(r) Members to be nominated by the Central Government,—

(i) five Members who are experts in the field of disability and rehabilitation;

(ii) ten Members, as far as practicable, being persons with disabilities, to represent non-Governmental Organisa-

tions concerned with disabilities or disabled persons organisations:

Provided that out of the ten Members nominated, at least, five Members shall be women and at least one person each shall be from the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes;

(iii) up to three representatives of national level chambers of commerce and industry;

(s) Joint Secretary to the Government of India dealing with the subject of disability policy, Member-Secretary, *ex officio*.

61. *Terms and conditions of Service of members.*— (1) Save as otherwise provided under this Act, a Member of the Central Advisory Board nominated under clause (r) of sub-section (2) of section 60 shall hold office for a term of three years from the date of his nomination:

Provided that such a Member shall, notwithstanding the expiration of his term, continue to hold office until his successor enters upon his office.

(2) The Central Government may, if it thinks fit, remove any Member nominated under clause (r) of sub-section (2) of section 60, before the expiry of his term of office after giving him a reasonable opportunity of showing cause against the same.

(3) A Member nominated under clause (r) of sub-section (2) of section 60 may at any time resign his office by writing under his hand addressed to the Central Government and the seat of the said Member shall thereupon become vacant.

(4) A casual vacancy in the Central Advisory Board shall be filled by a fresh nomination and the person nominated to fill the vacancy shall hold office only for the remainder of the term for which the Member in whose place he was so nominated.

(5) A Member nominated under sub-clause (i) or sub-clause (iii) of clause (r) of sub-section (2) of section 60 shall be eligible for renomination.

(6) The Members nominated under sub-clause (i) and sub-clause (ii) of clause (r) of sub-section (2) of section 60 shall receive such allowances as may be prescribed by the Central Government.

62. *Disqualifications.*— (1) No person shall be a Member of the Central Advisory Board, who—

(a) is, or at any time has been, adjudged insolvent or has suspended payment of his debts or has compounded with his creditors, or

(b) is of unsound mind and stands so declared by a competent court, or

(c) is, or has been, convicted of an offence which, in the opinion of the Central Government, involves moral turpitude, or

(d) is, or at any time has been, convicted of an offence under this Act, or

(e) has so abused his position in the opinion of the Central Government as a Member so as to render his continuance in the office is prejudicial interests of the general public.

(2) No order of removal shall be made by the Central Government under this section unless the Member concerned has been given a reasonable opportunity of showing cause against the same.

(3) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-section (1) or sub-section (5) of section 61, a Member who has been removed under this section shall not be eligible for renomination as a Member.

63. *Vacation of seats by members.*— If a Member of the Central Advisory Board

becomes subject to any of the disqualifications specified in section 62, his seat shall become vacant.

64. *Meetings of the Central Advisory Board on disability.*— The Central Advisory Board shall meet at least once in every six months and shall observe such rules of procedure in regard to the transaction of business at its meetings as may be prescribed.

65. *Functions of Central Advisory Board on disability.*— (1) Subject to the provisions of this Act, the Central Advisory Board on disability shall be the national-level consultative and advisory body on disability matters, and shall facilitate the continuous evolution of a comprehensive policy for the empowerment of persons with disabilities and the full enjoyment of rights.

(2) In particular and without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing provisions, the Central Advisory Board on disability shall perform the following functions, namely:—

(a) advise the Central Government and the State Governments on policies, programmes, legislation and projects with respect to disability:

(b) develop a national policy to address issues concerning persons with disabilities:

(c) review and coordinate the activities of all Departments of the Government and other Governmental and non-Governmental Organisations which are dealing with matters relating to persons with disabilities:

(d) take up the cause of persons with disabilities with the concerned authorities and the international organisations with a view to provide for schemes and projects for the persons with disabilities in the national plans:

(e) recommend steps to ensure accessibility, reasonable accommodation, non-discrimination for persons with

disabilities *vis-a-vis* information, services and the built environment and their participation in social life:

(f) monitor and evaluate the impact of laws, policies and programmes to achieve full participation of persons with disabilities; and

(g) such other functions as may be assigned from time to time by the Central Government.

66. *State Advisory Board on disability.*— (1) Every State Government shall, by notification, constitute a body to be known as the State Advisory Board on disability to exercise the powers conferred on, and to perform the function assigned to it, under this Act.

(2) The State Advisory Board shall consist of—

(a) the Minister in charge of the Department in the State Government dealing with disability matters, Chairperson, *ex officio*;

(b) the Minister of State or the Deputy Minister in charge of the Department in the State Government dealing with disability matters, if any, Vice-Chairperson, *ex officio*;

(c) secretaries to the State Government in charge of the Departments of Disability Affairs, School Education, Literacy and Higher Education, Women and Child Development, Finance, Personnel and Training, Health and Family Welfare, Rural Development, Panchayati Raj, Industrial Policy and Promotion, Labour and Employment, Urban Development, Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation, Science and Technology, Information Technology, Public Enterprises, Youth Affairs and Sports, Road Transport and any other Department, which the State Government considers necessary, Members, *ex officio*;

(d) three Members of the State Legislature of whom two shall be elected

by the Legislative Assembly and one by the Legislative Council, if any, and where there is no Legislative Council, three Members shall be elected by the Legislative Assembly, Members, *ex officio*;

(e) Members to be nominated by the State Government:—

(i) five Members who are experts in the field of disability and rehabilitation:

(ii) five Members to be nominated by the State Government by rotation to represent the districts in such manner as may be prescribed:

Provided that no nomination under this sub-clause shall be made except on the recommendation of the district administration concerned:

(iii) ten persons as far as practicable, being persons with disabilities, to represent non-Governmental Organisations or associations which are concerned with disabilities:

Provided that out of the ten persons nominated under this clause, at least, five shall be women and at least one person each shall be from the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes;

(iv) not more than three representatives of the State Chamber of Commerce and Industry;

(f) officer not below the rank of Joint Secretary in the Department dealing with disability matters in the State Government, Member-Secretary, *ex officio*.

67. *Terms and conditions of service of Members.*— (1) Save as otherwise provided under this Act, a Member of the State Advisory Board nominated under clause (e) of sub-section (2) of section 66, shall hold office for a term of three years from the date of his nomination:

Provided that such a Member shall, notwithstanding the expiration of his term, continue to hold office until his successor enters upon his office.

(2) The State Government may, if it thinks fit, remove any Member nominated under clause (e) of sub-section (2) of section 66, before the expiry of his term of office after giving him a reasonable opportunity of showing cause against the same.

(3) A Member nominated under clause (e) of sub-section (2) of section 66 may at any time resign his office by writing under his hand addressed to the State Government and the seat of the said Member shall thereupon become vacant.

(4) A casual vacancy in the State Advisory Board shall be filled by a fresh nomination and the person nominated to fill the vacancy shall hold office only for the remainder of the term for which the Member in whose place he was so nominated.

(5) A Member nominated under sub-clause (i) or sub-clause (iii) of clause (e) of sub-section (2) of section 66 shall be eligible for renomination.

(6) the Members nominated under sub-clause (i) and sub-clause (ii) of clause (e) of sub-section (2) of section 66 shall receive such allowances as may be prescribed by the State Government.

68. *Disqualification.*— (1) No person shall be a Member of the State Advisory Board, who—

(a) is, or at any time has been, adjudged insolvent or has suspended payment of his debts or has compounded with his creditors, or

(b) is of unsound mind and stands so declared by a competent court, or

(c) is, or has been, convicted of an offence which, in the opinion of the State Government, involves moral turpitude, or

(d) is, or at any time has been, convicted of an offence under this Act, or

(e) has so abused in the opinion of the State Government his position as a Member as to render his continuance in the State Advisory Board detrimental to the interests of the general public.

(2) No order of removal shall be made by the State Government under this section unless the Member concerned has been given a reasonable opportunity of showing cause against the same.

(3) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-section (1) or sub-section (5) of section 67, a Member who has been removed under this section shall not be eligible for renomination as a Member.

69. *Vacation of seats.*— If a Member of the State Advisory Board becomes subject to any of the disqualifications specified in section 68 his seat shall become vacant.

70. *Meetings of State Advisory Board on disability.*— The State Advisory Board shall meet at least once in every six months and shall observe such rules or procedure in regard to the transaction of business at its meetings as may be prescribed by the State Government.

71. *Functions of State Advisory Board on disability.*— (1) Subject to the provisions of this Act, the State Advisory Board shall be the State-level consultative and advisory body on disability matters, and shall facilitate the continuous evolution of a comprehensive policy for the empowerment of persons with disabilities and the full enjoyment of rights.

(2) In particular and without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing provisions, the State Advisory Board on disability shall perform the following functions, namely:—

(a) advise the State Government on policies, programmes, legislation and projects with respect to disability:

(b) develop a State policy to address issues concerning persons with disabilities;

(c) review and coordinate the activities of all Departments of the State Government and other Governmental and non-Governmental Organisations in the State which are dealing with matters relating to persons with disabilities;

(d) take up the cause of persons with disabilities with the concerned authorities and the international organisations with a view to provide for schemes and projects for the persons with disabilities in the State plans;

(e) recommend steps to ensure accessibility, reasonable accommodation, non-discrimination for persons with disabilities, services and the built environment and their participation in social life on an equal basis with others;

(f) monitor and evaluate the impact of laws, policies and programmes designed to achieve full participation of persons with disabilities; and

(g) such other functions as may be assigned from time to time by the State Government.

72. District-level Committee on disability.— The State Government shall constitute District-level Committee on disability to perform such functions as may be prescribed by it.

73. Vacancies not to invalidate proceedings.— No act or proceeding of the Central Advisory Board on disability, a State Advisory Board on disability, or a District-level Committee on disability shall be called in question on the ground merely of the existence of any vacancy in or any defect in the constitution of such Board or Committee, as the case may be.

CHAPTER XII

Chief Commissioner and State Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities

74. Appointment of Chief Commissioner and Commissioners.— (1) The Central Government may, by notification, appoint a Chief Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities (hereinafter referred to as the "Chief Commissioner") for the purposes of this Act.

(2) The Central Government may, by notification appoint two Commissioners to assist the Chief Commissioner, of which one Commissioner shall be a persons with disability.

(3) A person shall not be qualified for appointment as the Chief Commissioner or Commissioner unless he has special knowledge or practical experience in respect of matters relating to rehabilitation.

(4) The salary and allowances payable to and other terms and conditions of service (including pension, gratuity and other retirement benefits) of the Chief Commissioner and Commissioners shall be such as may be prescribed by the Central Government.

(5) The Central Government shall determine the nature and categories of officers and other employees required to assist the Chief Commissioner in the discharge of his functions and provide the Chief Commissioner with such officers and other employees as it thinks fit.

(6) The officers and employees provided to the Chief Commissioner shall discharge their functions under the general superintendence and control of the Chief Commissioner.

(7) The salaries and allowances and other conditions of service of officers and employees shall be such as may be prescribed by the Central Government.

(8) The Chief Commissioner shall be assisted by an advisory committee comprising of not

more than eleven members drawn from the experts from different disabilities in such manner as may be prescribed by the Central Government.

75. *Functions of Chief Commissioner.*— (1) The Chief Commissioner shall—

(a) identify, *suo motu* or otherwise, the provisions of any law or policy, programme and procedures, which are inconsistent with this Act and recommend necessary corrective steps;

(b) inquire, *suo motu* or otherwise, deprivation of rights of persons with disabilities and safeguards available to them in respect of matters for which the Central Government is the appropriate Government and take up the matter with appropriate authorities for corrective action;

(c) review the safeguards provided by or under this Act or any other law for the time being in force for the protection of rights of persons with disabilities and recommend measures for their effective implementation;

(d) review the factors that inhibit the enjoyment of rights of persons with disabilities and recommend appropriate remedial measures;

(e) study treaties and other international instruments on the rights of persons with disabilities and make recommendations for their effective implementation;

(f) undertake and promote research in the field of the rights of persons with disabilities;

(g) promote awareness of the rights of persons with disabilities and the safeguards available for their protection;

(h) monitor implementation of the provisions of this Act and schemes, programmes meant for persons with disabilities;

(i) monitor utilisation of funds disbursed by the Central Government for the benefit of persons with disabilities; and

(j) perform such other functions as the Central Government may assign.

(2) The Chief Commissioner shall consult the Commissioners on any matter while discharging its functions under this Act.

76. *Action of appropriate authorities on recommendation of Chief Commissioner.*— Whenever the Chief Commissioner makes a recommendation to an authority in pursuance of clause (b) of section 75, that authority shall take necessary action on it, and inform the Chief Commissioner of the action taken within three months from the date of receipt of the recommendation:

Provided that where an authority does not accept a recommendation, it shall convey reasons for non-acceptance to the Chief Commissioner within a period of three months, and shall also inform the aggrieved person.

77. *Powers of Chief Commissioner.*— (1) The Chief Commissioner shall, for the purpose of discharging his functions under this Act, have the same powers of a civil court as are vested in a court under the Code of Civil Procedure, 1908 while trying a suit, in respect of the following matters, namely:—

(a) summoning and enforcing the attendance of witnesses;

(b) requiring the discovery and production of any documents;

(c) requisitioning any public record or copy thereof from any court or office;

(d) receiving evidence on affidavits; and

(e) issuing commissions for the examination of witnesses or documents.

(2) Every proceeding before the Chief Commissioner shall be a judicial proceeding within the meaning of sections 193 and 228 of the Indian Penal Code and the Chief Commissioner shall be deemed to be

a civil court for the purposes of section 195 and Chapter XXVI of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973. 2 of 1974.

78. Annual and special reports by Chief Commissioner.— (1) The Chief Commissioner shall submit an annual report to the Central Government and may at any time submit special reports on any matter, which, in his opinion, is of such urgency or importance that it shall not be deferred till submission of the annual report.

(2) The Central Government shall cause the annual and the special reports of the Chief Commissioner to be laid before each House of Parliament, along with a memorandum of action taken or proposed to be taken on his recommendations and the reasons for non-acceptance the recommendations, if any.

(3) The annual and special reports shall be prepared in such form, manner and contain such details as may be prescribed by the Central Government.

79. Appointment of State Commissioner in States.— (1) The State Government may, by notification, appoint a State Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities (hereinafter referred to as the "State Commissioner") for the purposes of this Act.

(2) A person shall not be qualified for appointment as the State Commissioner unless he has special knowledge or practical experience in respect of matters relating to rehabilitation.

(3) The salary and allowances payable to and other terms and conditions of service (including pension, gratuity and other retirement benefits) of the State Commissioner shall be such as may be prescribed by the State Government.

(4) The State Government shall determine the nature and categories of officers and other employees required to assist the State Commissioner in the discharge of his functions

and provide the State Commissioner with such officers and other employees as it thinks fit.

(5) The officers and employees provided to the State Commissioner shall discharge his functions under the general superintendence and control of the State Commissioner.

(6) The salaries and allowances and other conditions of service of officers and employees shall be such as may be prescribed by the State Government.

(7) The State Commissioner shall be assisted by an advisory committee comprising of not more than five members drawn from the experts in the disability sector in such manner as may be prescribed by the State Government.

80. Functions of State Commissioner.— The State Commissioner shall—

(a) identify, *suo motu* or otherwise, provision of any law or policy, programme and procedures, which are in consistent with this Act, and recommend necessary corrective steps;

(b) inquire, *suo motu* or otherwise deprivation of rights of persons with disabilities and safeguards available to them in respect of matters for which the State Government is the appropriate Government and take up the matter with appropriate authorities for corrective action;

(c) review the safeguards provided by or under this Act or any other law for the time being in force for the protection of rights of persons with disabilities and recommend measures for their effective implementation;

(d) review the factors that inhibit the enjoyment of rights of persons with disabilities and recommend appropriate remedial measures;

(e) undertake and promote research in the field of the rights of persons with disabilities:

(f) promote awareness of the rights of persons with disabilities and the safeguards available for their protection;

(g) monitor implementation of the provisions of this Act and schemes, programmes meant for persons with disabilities;

(h) monitor utilisation of funds disbursed by the State Government for the benefits of persons with disabilities; and

(i) perform such other functions as the State Government may assign.

81. *Action by appropriate authorities on recommendation of State Commissioner.*— Whenever the State Commissioner makes a recommendation to an authority in pursuance of clause (b) of section 80, that authority shall take necessary action on it, and inform the State Commissioner of the action taken within three months from the date of receipt of the recommendation:

Provided that where an authority does not accept a recommendation it shall convey reasons for non-acceptance to the State Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities within the period of three months, and shall also inform the aggrieved person.

82. *Powers of State Commissioner.*— The State Commissioner shall, for the purpose of discharging their functions under this Act, have the same powers of a civil court as are vested in a court under the Code of Civil Procedure, 1908 while trying a suit, in respect of the following matters, namely:—

(a) summoning and enforcing the attendance of witnesses;

(b) requiring the discovery and production of any documents;

(c) requisitioning any public record or copy thereof from any court or office;

(d) receiving evidence on affidavits; and

(e) issuing commissions for the examination of witnesses or document.

(2) Every proceeding before the State Commissioner shall be a judicial proceeding within the meaning of sections 193 and 228 of the Indian Penal Code and the State Commissioners shall be deemed to be a civil court for the purposes of section 195 and Chapter XXVI of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973. 45 of 1860. 2 of 1974.

83. *Annual and special reports by State Commissioner.*— (1) The State Commissioner shall submit an annual report to the State Government and may at any time submit special reports on any matter, which, in its opinion, is of such urgency or importance that it shall not be deferred till submission of the annual report.

(2) The State Government shall cause the annual and the special reports of the State Commissioner for persons with disabilities to be laid before each House of State Legislature where it consists of two Houses or where such Legislature consist of one House, before that House along with a memorandum of action taken or proposed to be taken on the recommendation of the State Commissioner and the reasons for non-acceptance the recommendations, if any.

(3) The annual and special reports shall be prepared in such form, manner and contain such details as may be prescribed by the State Government.

CHAPTER XIII

Special Court

84. *Special Court.*— For the purpose of providing speedy trial, the State Government shall, with the concurrence of the Chief Justice of the High Court, by notification, specify for each district, a Court of Session to be a Special Court to try the offences under this Act.

85. *Special Public Prosecutor.*— (1) For every Special Court, the State Government may by notification specify a Public Prosecutor or appoint an advocate, who has been in practice as an advocate for not less than seven years, as a Special Public Prosecutor for the purpose of conducting cases in that Court.

(2) The Special Public Prosecutor appointed under sub-section (1) shall be entitled to receive such fees or remuneration as may be prescribed by the State Government.

CHAPTER XIV

National Fund for Person with Disabilities

86. *National Fund for persons with disabilities.*— (1) There shall be constituted a Fund to be called the National Fund for persons with disabilities and there shall be credited thereto—

(a) all sums available under the Fund for people with disabilities, constituted vide notification No. S. O. 573 (E), dated the 11th August, 1983 and the Trust Fund for Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities, constituted vide notification No. 30-031 2004-DDII, dated the 21st November, 2006, under the Charitable Endowment Act, 1890.

6 of 1890.

(b) all sums payable by banks, corporations, financial institutions in pursuance of judgment dated the 16th April, 2004 of the Hon'ble Supreme Court in Civil Appeal Nos. 4655 and 5218 of 2000.

(c) all sums received by way of grant, gifts, donations, benefactions, bequests or transfers;

(d) all sums received from the Central Government including grants-in-aid;

(e) all sums from such other sources as may be decided by the Central Government.

(2) The Fund for persons with disabilities shall be utilised and managed in such manner as may be prescribed.

87. *Accounts and audit.*— (1) The Central Government shall maintain proper accounts and other relevant records and prepare an annual statement of accounts of the Fund including the income and expenditure accounts in such form as may be prescribed in consultation with the Comptroller and Auditor-General of India.

(2) The accounts of the Fund shall be audited by the Comptroller and Auditor-General of India at such intervals as may be specified by him and any expenditure incurred by him in connection with such audit shall be payable from the Fund to the Comptroller and Auditor-General of India.

(3) The Comptroller and Auditor-General of India and any other person appointed by him in connection with the audit of the accounts of the Fund shall have the same rights, privileges and authority in connection with such audit as the Comptroller and Auditor-General of India generally has in connection with the audit of the Government accounts, and in particular, shall have the right to demand production of books of account, connected vouchers and other documents and papers and to inspect any of the offices of the Fund.

(4) The accounts of the Fund as certified by the Comptroller and Auditor-General of India or any other person appointed by him in this behalf, together with the audit report thereon, shall be laid before each House of Parliament by the Central Government.

CHAPTER XV

State Fund for Persons with Disabilities

88. *State Fund for persons with disabilities.*— (1) There shall be constituted a Fund to be called the State Fund for persons with disabilities by a State Government in

such manner as may be prescribed by the State Government.

(2) The State Fund for persons with disabilities shall be utilised and managed in such manner as may be prescribed by the State Government.

(3) Every State Government shall maintain proper accounts and other relevant records of the State fund for persons with disabilities including the income and expenditure accounts in such form as may be prescribed by the State Government in consultation with the Comptroller and Auditor-General of India.

(4) The accounts of the State fund for persons with disabilities shall be audited by the Comptroller and Auditor-General of India at such intervals as may be specified by him and any expenditure incurred by him in connection with such audit shall be payable from the State Fund to the Comptroller and Auditor-General of India.

(5) The Comptroller and Auditor-General of India and any person appointed by him in connection with the audit of the accounts of the State Fund for persons with disabilities shall have the same rights, privileges and authority in connection with such audit as the Comptroller and Auditor-General of India generally has in connection with the audit of the Government accounts, and in particular, shall have right to demand production of books of accounts, connected vouchers and other documents and paper and to inspect any of the offices of the State Fund.

(6) The accounts of the State Fund for persons with disabilities as certified by the Comptroller and Auditor-General of India or any other person appointed by him in this behalf together with the audit report thereon shall be laid before each House of the State Legislature where it consists of two Houses or where such Legislature consists of two Houses before that House.

CHAPTER XVI

Offences and Penalties

89. *Punishment for contravention of provisions of Act or rules or regulations made thereunder.*— Any person who contravenes my of the provisions of this Act, or of any rule made thereunder shall for first contravention be punishable with fine which may extend to ten thousand rupees and for any subsequent contravention with fine which shall not be less than fifty thousand rupees but which may extend to five lakh rupees.

90. *Offences by companies.*— (1) Where an offence under this Act has been committed by a company, every person who at the time the offence was committed, was in charge of and was responsible to, the company for the conduct of the business of the company, as well as the company, shall be deemed to be guilty of the offence and shall be liable to be proceeded against and punished accordingly:

Provided that nothing contained in this sub-section shall render any such person liable to any punishment provided in this Act, if he proves that the offence was committed without his knowledge or that he had exercised all due diligence to prevent the commission of such offence.

(2) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-section (1), where an offence under this Act has been committed by a company and it is proved that the offence has been committed with the consent or connivance of, or is attributable to any neglect on the part of any director, manager, secretary or other officer of the company, such director, manager, secretary or other officer shall also be deemed to be guilty of that offence and shall be liable to be proceeded against and punished accordingly.

Explanation.— For the purposes of this section,—

(a) “company” means any body corporate and includes a firm or other association of individuals; and

(b) “director”, in relation to a firm, means a partner in the firm.

91. *Punishment for fraudulently availing any benefit meant for persons with benchmark disabilities.*— Whoever, fraudulently avails or attempts to avail any benefit meant for persons with benchmark disabilities, shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to two years or with fine which may extend to one lakh rupees or with both.

92. *Punishment for offences of atrocities.*— Whoever,—

(a) intentionally insults or intimidates with intent to humiliate a person with disability in any place within public view;

(b) assaults or uses force to any person with disability with intent to dishonour him or outrage the modesty of a woman with disability;

(c) having the actual charge or control over a person with disability voluntarily or knowingly denies food or fluids to him or her;

(d) being in a position to dominate the will of a child or woman with disability and uses that position to exploit her sexually;

(e) voluntarily injures, damages or interferes with the use of any limb or sense or any supporting device of a person with disability;

(f) performs, conducts or directs any medical procedure to be performed on a woman with disability which leads to or is likely to lead to termination of pregnancy without her express consent except in cases where medical procedure for termination of pregnancy is done in severe cases of disability and with the opinion of a registered medical practitioner and also with the consent of the guardian of the woman with disability,

shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which shall not be less than six months

but which may extend to five years and with fine.

93. *Punishment for failure to furnish information.*— Whoever, fails to produce any book, account or other documents or to furnish any statement, information or particulars which, under this Act or any order, or direction made or given thereunder, is duty bound to produce or furnish or to answer any question put in pursuance of the provisions of this Act or of any order, or direction made or given thereunder, shall be punishable with fine which may extend to twenty-five thousand rupees in respect of each offence, and in case of continued failure or refusal, with further fine which may extend to one thousand rupees for each day, of continued failure or refusal after the date of original order imposing punishment of fine.

94. *Previous sanction of appropriate Government.*— No Court shall take cognizance of an offence alleged to have been committed by an employee of the appropriate Government under this Chapter, except with the previous sanction of the appropriate Government or a complaint is filed by an officer authorised by it in this behalf.

95. *Alternative punishment.*— Where an act or omission constitutes an offence punishable under this Act and also under any other Central or State Act, then, notwithstanding anything contained in any other law for the time being in force, the offender found guilty of such offence shall be liable to punishment only under such Act as provides for punishment which is greater in degree.

CHAPTER XVII

Miscellaneous

96. *Application of other laws not barred.*— The provisions of this Act shall be in addition to, and not in derogation of the provisions of any other law for the time being in force.

97. *Protection of action taken in good faith.*— No suit, prosecution or other legal

proceeding shall lie against the appropriate Government or any officer of the appropriate Government or any officer or employee of the Chief Commissioner or the State Commissioner for anything which is in good faith done or intended to be done under this Act or the rules made thereunder.

98. *Power to remove difficulties.*— (1) If any difficulty arises in giving effect to the provisions of this Act, the Central Government may, by order, published in the Official Gazette, make such provisions or give such directions, not inconsistent with the provisions of this Act, as may appear to it to be necessary or expedient for removing the difficulty:

Provided that no such order shall be made under this section after the expiry of the period of two years from the date of commencement of this Act.

(2) Every order made under this section shall be laid as soon as may be, after it is made, before each House of Parliament.

99. *Power to amend Schedule.*— (1) On the recommendations made by the appropriate Government or otherwise, if the Central Government is satisfied that it is necessary or expedient so to do, it may, by notification, amend the Schedule and any such notification being issued, the Schedule shall be deemed to have been amended accordingly.

(2) Every such notification shall, as soon as possible after it is issued, shall be laid before each House of Parliament.

100. *Power of Central Government to make rules.*— (1) The Central Government may, subject to the condition of previous publication, by notification, make rules for carrying out the provisions of this Act.

(2) In particular, and without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing power, such rules may provide for all or any of the following matters, namely:—

(a) the manner of constituting the Committee for Research on Disability under sub-section (2) of section 6;

(b) the manner of notifying the equal opportunity policy under sub-section (1) of section 21;

(c) the form and manner of maintaining records by every establishment under sub-section (1) of section 22;

(d) the manner of maintenance of register of complaints by grievance redressal officer under sub-section (3) of section 23;

(e) the manner of furnishing information and return by establishment to the Special Employment Exchange under section 36;

(f) the composition of the Assessment Board under sub-section (2) and manner of assessment to be made by the Assessment Board under sub-section (3) of section 38;

(g) rules for person with disabilities laying down the standards of accessibility under section 40;

(h) the manner of application for issuance of certificate of disability under sub-section (1) and form of certificate of disability under sub-section (2) of section 58;

(i) the allowances to be paid to nominated Members of the Central Advisory Board under sub-section (6) of section 61;

(j) the rules of procedure for transaction of business in the meetings of the Central Advisory Board under section 64;

(k) the salaries and allowances and other conditions of services of Chief Commissioner and Commissioners under sub-section (4) of section 74;

(l) the salaries and allowances and conditions of services of officers and staff or the Chief Commissioner under sub-section (7) or section 74;

(m) the composition and manner of appointment of experts in the advisory committee under sub-section (8) of section 74;

(n) the form, manner and content of annual report to be prepared and submitted by the Chief Commissioner under sub-section (3) of section 78;

(o) the procedure, manner of utilisation and management of the Fund under sub-section (2) of section 86; and

(p) the form for preparation of accounts of Fund under sub-section (1) of section 87.

(3) Every rule made under this Act shall be laid, as soon as may be after it is made, before each House of Parliament while it is in session, for a total period of thirty days which may be comprised in one session or in two or more successive sessions, and if, before the expiry of the session immediately following the session or the successive sessions aforesaid, both Houses agree in making any modification in the rule or both Houses agree that the rule should not be made, the rule shall thereafter have effect only in such modified form or be of no effect, as the case may be; so, however, that any such modification or annulment shall be without prejudice to the validity of anything previously done under that rule.

101. *Power of State Government to make rules.*— (1) The State Government may, subject to the condition of previous publication, by notification, make rules for carrying out the provisions of this Act, not later than six months from the date of commencement of this Act.

(2) In particular, and without prejudice to the generality of foregoing powers, such rules may provide for all or any of the following matters, namely:—

(a) the manner of constituting the Committee for Research on Disability under sub-section (2) of section 5;

(b) the manner of providing support of a limited guardian under sub-section (1) of section 14;

(c) the form and manner of making an application for certificate of registration under sub-section (1) of section 51;

(d) the facilities to be provided and standards to be met by institutions for grant of certificate of registration under sub-section (3) of section 51;

(e) the validity of certificate of registration, the form of, and conditions attached to, certificate of registration under sub-section (4) of section 51;

(f) the period of disposal of application for certificate of registration under sub-section (7) of section 51;

(g) the period within which an appeal to be made under sub-section (1) of section 53;

(h) the time and manner of appealing against the order of certifying authority under sub-section (1) and manner of disposal of such appeal under sub-section (2) of section 59;

(i) the allowances to be paid to nominated Members of the State Advisory Board under sub-section (6) of section 67;

(j) the rules of procedure for transaction of business in the meetings of the State Advisory Board under section 70;

(k) the composition and functions of District Level Committee under section 72;

(l) salaries, allowances and other conditions of services of the State Commissioner under sub-section (3) of section 79;

(m) the salaries, allowances and conditions of services of officers and staff of the State Commissioner under sub-section (3) of section 79;

(n) the composition and manner of appointment of experts in the advisory committee under sub-section (7) of section 79;

(o) the form, manner and content of annual and special reports to be prepared and submitted by the State Commissioner under sub-section (3) of section 83;

(p) the fee or remuneration to be paid to the Special Public Prosecutor under sub-section (2) of section 85;

(q) the manner of constitution of State Fund for persons with disabilities under sub-section (1), and the manner of utilisation and management of State Fund under sub-section (2) of section 88;

(r) the form for preparation of accounts of the State Fund for persons with disabilities under sub-section (3) of section 88.

(3) Every rule made by the State Government under this Act shall be laid, as soon as may be after it is made, before each House of the State Legislature where it consists of two Houses, or where such State Legislature consists of one House, before that House.

102. *Repeal and savings.*— (1) The Persons with Disabilities (Equal Opportunity Protection of Rights and Full Participation) Act, 1995 is hereby repealed.

(2) Notwithstanding the repeal of the said Act, anything done or any action taken under the said Act, shall be deemed to have been done or taken under the corresponding provisions of this Act.

THE SCHEDULE

[See clause (zc) of section 2]

Specified Disability

1. Physical disability.—

A. Locomotor disability (a person's inability to execute distinctive activities associated

with movement of self and objects resulting from affliction of musculoskeletal or nervous system or both), including—

(a) “leprosy cured person” means a person who has been cured of leprosy but is suffering from—

(i) loss of sensation in hands or feet as well as loss of sensation and paresis in the eye and eye-lid but with no manifest deformity;

(ii) manifest deformity and paresis but having sufficient mobility in their hands and feet to enable them to engage in normal economic activity;

(iii) extreme physical deformity as well as advanced age which prevents him/her from undertaking any gainful occupation, and the expression “leprosy cured” shall construed accordingly;

(b) “cerebral palsy” means a Group of non-progressive neurological condition affecting body movements and muscle coordination, caused by damage to one or more specific areas of the brain, usually occurring before, during or shortly after birth;

(c) “dwarfism” means a medical or genetic condition resulting in an adult height of 4 feet 10 inches (147 centimetres) or less;

(d) “muscular dystrophy” means a group of hereditary genetic muscle disease that weakens the muscles that move the human body and persons with multiple dystrophy have incorrect and missing information in their genes, which prevents them from making the proteins they need for healthy muscles. It is characterised by progressive skeletal muscle weakness, defects in muscle proteins, and the death of muscle cells and tissue;

(e) “acid attack victims” means a person disfigured due to violent assaults by

throwing of acid or similar corrosive substance.

B. Visual impairment—

(a) “blindness” means a condition where a person has any of the following conditions, after best correction—

(i) total absence of sight; or

(ii) visual acuity less than 3/60 or less than 10/200 (Snellen) in the better eye with best possible correction; or

(iii) limitation of the field of vision subtending an angle of less than 10 degree.

(b) “low-vision” means a condition where a person has any of the following conditions, namely:—

(i) visual acuity not exceeding 6/18 or less than 20/60 upto 3/60 or upto 10/200 (Snellen) in the better eye with best possible corrections; or

(ii) limitation of the field of vision subtending an angle of less than 40 degree up to 10 degree.

C. Hearing impairment.—

(a) “deaf” means persons having 70 DB hearing loss in speech frequencies in both ears;

(b) “hard of hearing” means person having 60 DB to 70 DB hearing loss in speech frequencies in both ears;

D. “speech and language disability” means a permanent disability arising out of conditions such as laryngectomy or aphasia affecting one or more components of speech and language due to organic or neurological causes.

2. Intellectual disability, a condition characterised by significant limitation both in

intellectual functioning (reasoning, learning, problem solving) and in adaptive behaviour which covers a range of every day, social and practical skills, including—

(a) “specific learning disabilities” means a heterogeneous group of conditions wherein there is a deficit in processing language, spoken or written, that may manifest itself as a difficulty to comprehend, speak, read, write, spell, or to do mathematical calculations and includes such conditions as perceptual disabilities, Dyslexia, dysgraphia, dyscalculia, dyspraxia and developmental aphasia;

(b) “autism spectrum disorder” means a neuro-developmental condition typically appearing in the first three years of life that significantly affects a person’s ability to communicate, understand relationships and relate to others, and is frequently associated with unusual or stereotypical rituals or behaviours.

3. Mental behaviour,—

“mental illness” means a substantial disorder of thinking, mood, perception, orientation or memory that grossly impairs judgment, behaviour, capacity to recognise reality or ability to meet the ordinary demands of life, but does not include retardation which is a condition of arrested or incomplete development of mind of a person, specially characterised by subnormality of intelligence.

4. Disability caused due to—

(a) chronic neurological conditions, such as—

(i) “multiple sclerosis” means an inflammatory nervous system disease in which the myelin sheaths around the axons of nerve cells of the brain and spinal cord are damaged leading to demyelination and affecting the ability of nerve cells in the brain and spinal cord to communicate with each other;

(ii) "parkinson's disease" means a progressive disease of the nervous system marked by tremor, muscular rigidity, and slow, imprecise movement, chiefly affecting middle-aged and elderly people associated with degeneration of the basal ganglia of the brain and a deficiency of the neurotransmitter dopamine.

(b) *Blood disorder*—

(i) "haemophilia" means an inheritable disease, usually affecting only male but transmitted by women to their male children, characterised by loss or impairment of the normal clotting ability of blood so that a minor wound may result in fatal bleeding;

(ii) "thalassemia" means a group of inherited disorders characterised by reduced or absent amounts of haemoglobin.

(iii) "sickle cell disease" means a hemolytic disorder characterised by chronic anemia, painful events, and various complications due to associated tissue and organ damage; "hemolytic" refers to the destruction of the cell membrane of red blood cells resulting in the release of haemoglobin.

5. Multiple Disabilities (more than one of the above specified disabilities) including deaf blindness which means a condition in which a person may have combination of hearing and visual impairments causing severe communication, developmental, and educational problems.

6. Any other category as may be notified by the Central Government.

Department of Science, Technology & Environment

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Notification

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SCHEME FOR PROVIDING GRANT IN AID TO GOA WASTE MANAGEMENT CORPORATION

The Government of Goa is pleased to provide financial assistance to Goa Waste Management Corporation (GWMC). The Goa Waste Management Corporation has made a provision for securing the orderly establishment and development of facilities for management of various types of wastes in the manner provided under law, to assist generally in the organization and scientific management thereof.

1. *Short title and commencement.*— This scheme may be called as Grant in aid for management of all types of wastes including biomedical waste, construction & demolition waste e-waste, hazardous waste, slaughter waste, plastic waste and any other waste which requires treatment and disposal. This scheme will be implemented by through Goa Waste Management Corporation in line with the rules, regulations and policies brought out by the Government of Goa/Government of India from time to time.

I. It shall come into force with immediate effect.

II. The scheme shall promote—

(a) Development of state policies for collection, treatment and disposal of waste at various levels.

(b) Seminars, workshops and awareness programme in High Schools, Higher Secondary Schools, other educational institutions, local bodies, associations, etc. on waste management.

(c) Advertisements, films, publications and learning material etc. for creating awareness on all types of solid waste.

(d) Collection, transportation, baling and treatment of solid waste.

(e) Erection and maintenance of waste transfer stations, mobile collection and segregation stations, waste sorting centers.

(f) Establishment of e-waste collection centers, and e-waste treatment and disposal facilities.

(g) Establishment of solid waste management facilities.

(h) Establishment of hazardous waste management, treatment & storage facilities.

(i) Establishment and Management of plastic waste management facilities.

(j) Establishment of Bio Medical waste treatment facilities including collections, storage and transportation.

(k) Establishment of slaughter Waste treatment facilities including collections, storage and transportation.

(l) Establishment of Construction and Demolition Waste treatment facilities including collections, storage and transportation.

(m) Establishment of Highway/Roadside clearance, collection, segregation and transport of waste therein.

(n) Hiring of consultants, third party/ /independent auditors to evaluate and monitor waste functions, manpower, staff on job basis, premises and purchase of land for waste management.

III. The scheme shall be implemented by Goa Waste Management Corporation.

2. *Introduction of the scheme.*— (I) The scheme envisages compliance to all the solid waste management rules which includes bio medical waste, hazardous waste, e-waste and plastic waste, construction and demolition waste rules and any other such rules as notified by the Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change from time to time. This is proposed to be achieved by providing financial support to the Goa Waste Management Corporation to carry out awareness programmes, competitions, campaigns, seminars, workshops, publications, advertisements, signage, exhibitions, conferences, displays, waste to wealth and waste to art products and installations, infrastructure facilities for waste collection and treatment including transportation of all types of Solid Waste. The scheme also will provide financial assistance for hiring consultants, third party/ /independent auditors, staff on job basis, manpower, premises and purchase of land for waste management.

(II) Government of Goa has notified the scheme for achieving treatment and disposal of all types of Solid Waste in compliance to the Waste Management Rules.

3. *Objectives of the scheme.*— (I) The scheme is formulated with the objectives to manage all types of Solid Waste in environmentally sound manner and in compliance to the rules:—

(a) By providing financial assistance to Goa Waste Management Corporation to organize seminars, workshop, awareness programme competitions, campaigns, in High Schools, Higher Secondary Schools and other educational and research institutions, local bodies and associations.

(b) By providing financial assistance to Goa Waste Management Corporation for establishment of infrastructure for collection, transportation, treatment and disposal of all types of Solid Waste.

(c) By providing financial assistance to hire consultants, manpower, premises and purchase land for waste management.

(d) By providing Financial assistance for publication, advertisements, films etc.

4. *Scope of the scheme.*— (I) The scope of the scheme is to provide grant of Rs. 50 crores per annum to Goa Waste Management Corporation for achieving effective waste management in the state of Goa and to comply with the provisions of the waste management rules notified by the Ministry of Environment Forest and Climate change.

(II) The grant for achieving the goals in waste management shall include the expenditure for travel, stationery, printing, pandals, refreshments, honorarium, publicity, procurement of any equipment/tools/models, etc. as also engaging required manpower, consultants or outsource the activities of waste management, vehicles, compactors, machineries, mulchers, styropactors and such allied equipment, participation in events, exhibitions, conferences, reconnaissance visits, within and outside the country.

(III) Hardware, Software, GIS systems, website, mobile applications, social media, e-filing software and any other software as required vehicle tracking and any e-initiatives required.

5. *Quantum of financial assistance under the Scheme.*— (I) An amount of Rs. 50,00,000,00/- (Rupees fifty crores) shall be provided to the Goa Waste Management Corporation annually in four equal installments, subject to budgetary provision.

(II) Government reserves the right to modify the financial quantum, so also the conditions of the scheme, depending upon the budgetary provisions. Government also reserves the right to sanction additional grant to the Goa Waste Management Corporation in addition to (i) above in care of requirement to achieve the objective of the scheme.

6. Apply for grants under various schemes of State Government, Central Government, international funding agencies, CSR funds, and sponsorships and adoption programs.

7. *Pattern of Assistance of the Scheme.*— (i) The grantee shall be entitled to receive Government grants based on the estimate approved by the Government in the Budget Estimate during that financial year for the scheme and will be sanctioned as per the terms and conditions laid by the Government.

(ii) The grants shall be disbursed in four equal installments.

(iii) The GWMC shall prepare their Budget for every financial year. Accordingly, grants shall be released on quarterly basis based on the expenditure during the previous year. This however shall not be applicable during 17-18, during which grant as per 5(i) shall be released.

(iv) The entire amount of the grants approved within the same financial year, should be utilized before the month of March of the subsequent year of grant and only for the purpose for which it is sanctioned. Any portion of the grant which is not ultimately required for the purpose for which it is sanctioned will be refunded to the Government Treasury or adjusted in the next years grants. After 'utilizing/refunding'/adjusting the sanctioned amount, an Utilization Certificate should be furnished to the sanctioning authority as required under Form GFR-19A.

(v) The equipments purchased with the grant-in-aid shall vest with the Government. The GWMC shall maintain a register in Form G.F.R.19 of the permanent and semi permanent assets acquired wholly or partly out of the Government grants. The register shall be maintained in respect of the grants sanctioned and an extract from the register shall be furnished to the Government annually with audited statement of accounts after close of the financial year. Such assets shall not be

disposed off, encumbered or utilized for purpose other than those for which grant was given without the prior approval of the Government. In the event the GWMC ceases to exist, at any such time, such assets/properties shall be reverted to the Government.

(vi) The account of the Grantee in respect of this grants should be audited by the Government approved Auditor/Chartered Accountant and countersigned by MD-GWMC. Such certificate shall be submitted along with detailed report. The accounts of the grants shall be maintained separately and properly from its normal activities.

(vii) The Audited statement of accounts showing the expenditure incurred by the Grantee from the grants should be furnished to the Government within a period of one year from the date of sanction and should certify that expenditure incurred is only for the purpose for which it is sanctioned.

(viii) A performance-cum-achievement report specifying in detail the achievements made by the Grantee with the Government grants/amount sanctioned should be furnished to the Department of S & T along with Utilization Certificate.

(ix) The grantee must exercise reasonable economy, observe all financial proprietary and the financial rules as issued by the Government from time to time while incurring the expenditure.

(x) The amount remaining unspent out of this grant on or before the month of September of the subsequent year of grants, shall be refunded or adjusted back to the Government Treasury by challan within 03 (three) months from the date of submission of report.

(xi) The grantee shall duly acknowledge the grant provided by the department in its report as well as any publications of such report for which the department has provided grants.

8. *Relaxation of the provisions of the scheme.*— The Government shall be empowered to relax any or all of the clauses or conditions of this scheme in genuine case(s) for sanction of the grant.

9. *Interpretation of the provisions of this scheme.*— If any question arises regarding interpretation of any clause, word, expression of the scheme, the decision about the interpretation shall lie with the Government, which shall be final and binding on all concerned.

This scheme has been issued with the concurrence of the Finance (Exp.) Department vide their U. O. No. 1400042477 dated 05-10-2017 and administrative approval of the Government under U. O. No. 4951/F dated 04-10-2017.

By order and in the name of the Governor of Goa.

Sanjeev Joglekar, I/c Director & ex officio, Joint Secretary (S&T).

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